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RED ARMY CUSHION TACTICS Analysis Of War Situation

AXIS TROOPS MOVING IN BALKANS

Reports from a very reliable source in Ankara give the first indications since the Nazi invasion of Soviet Russia of Axis troop movements in Southern Bulgaria.

In addition, Italian troops at Plovdiv, with Italian Staff officers, are reported to have made a reconnaissance of Maritza Valley.

Other reports speak of Italy increasing her garrisons in the Greek islands.

Despite the possibility of such troop movements being a prelude to a fresh Axis adventure in the Balkans, Turkey expresses complete confidence that Germany has no hostile intentions towards her.

Air Force Crews

Large-scale German military movements in Bulgaria have begun, it was learned in London yesterday.

Advance units of two German infantry divisions have arrived in the south in the past few days.

They are fresh troops newly uniformed and well-disciplined and are thought to have come from the interior of Germany.

These troops were accompanied by a considerable number of air force ground crews.

There are also reports that the Italians have moved troops into Eastern Thrace and the Aegean islands off Turkey.

Ten to fifteen thousand Italian troops have been landed on the island of Samos.—Reuter.

SPRATLY ISLANDS ISSUE

That the United States would view with concern and refuse to recognize any formal Japanese annexation of additional Pacific islands was indicated by Mr. Cordell Hull at his press conference yesterday.

It was pointed out that the Spratly group in the South China Seas are now shown as Japanese

Odessa Garrison Holding Firmly

THE RUSSIAN GARRISON LEFT BEHIND IN ODESSA TO FORM ANOTHER TOBRUK ARE FIGHTING DESPERATELY AND SO FAR WITH SUCCESS, WRITES "ANNALIST" IN A MILITARY COMMENTARY ON THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE RUSSO-GERMAN OPERATIONS.

Odessa, he says, should prove a difficult nut to crack, especially as the Germans will probably attempt its reduction with the aid of Rumanian troops.

On the rest of the Ukrainian front, the situation has not altered materially and the passage of the Dnieper has not been forced.

The Germans claim the capture of Narva, Novgorod and Kherson. The Russian communique speaks only of stubborn fighting at Odessa, Gomel and Novgorod.

The loss of Kherson was a foregone conclusion with the Germans overrunning the lower

reaches of the west bank of the Dnieper. It is a considerable commercial port, but it could not be defended by improvised forces specially as it is on the wrong side of the river.

No great change is expected in the Ukraine operations for the present. It will take some time for the German High Command to get together a sufficient striking force and all the paraphernalia required for an operation of the magnitude of the forcing of the Dnieper.

Leningrad Drive

Furthermore, there are indications that the main attack has been switched back north once again with Leningrad as the objective. This offensive is now in full swing, but it is not likely to be as prolonged as the first two, although it will be intensive while it lasts.

The Russians still have room to employ the cushion tactics that have proved so successful hitherto, which enable them to absorb shock without undue loss to themselves while exacting costly payment from the enemy.

They are, however, getting near to the region where they will be fighting with their backs to the wall in defence of the great industrial belt of Leningrad. They (Continued on Page 16)

CALL FOR WAR IN AMERICA

A call for President Roosevelt to propose and for Congress to approve a declaration of war against the Axis nations is made in the "New Republic," one of America's foremost Liberal weeklies.

There is a chance, the magazine says, of "an immediate and complete victory over Hitler" if the United States, Russia and Britain launch a combined assault.

America, it asserts, is better prepared to fight Germany now with Allies than later with none.

"If it is not our war, we should have nothing to do with it. But we have decided otherwise. If it is our war, enough so that we must put our material resources and wealth into the scales on one side only, then it is our war to fight as well." —Reuter.

possessions in new Tokyo maps which indicate an extension of the original Japanese annexation. Seven islands of this group over which Japan assumed jurisdiction in 1939 had been occupied by France in 1933, but the Japanese contended that they were without an owner.

The annexation at that time caused considerable misgivings.—Reuter.

HITLER SEES FATE

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent)

GERMAN OFFICERS IN RUSSIA HAVE RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM BERLIN TO TELL THE TROOPS THAT THE SEVERITY OF THE RUSSIAN WINTER IS GROSSLY EXAGGERATED AND ALL THE MEN NEED TO WITHSTAND THE RIGOURS OF WINTER IS THICK CLOTHING (PLUS VALINKS) (RUSSIAN FELT BOOTS) WHICH ARE TO BE TAKEN FROM THE PRISONERS.

These instructions, which I learn from an authoritative source in Ankara, show that Hitler realises that a winter campaign is inevitable and that his men are nervous about the winter.—Reuter.

TO BEAT HITLER AT OWN GAME

Britain's latest and fastest cruiser tanks, "Covenanter," are probably the best designed tank of their type in the world.

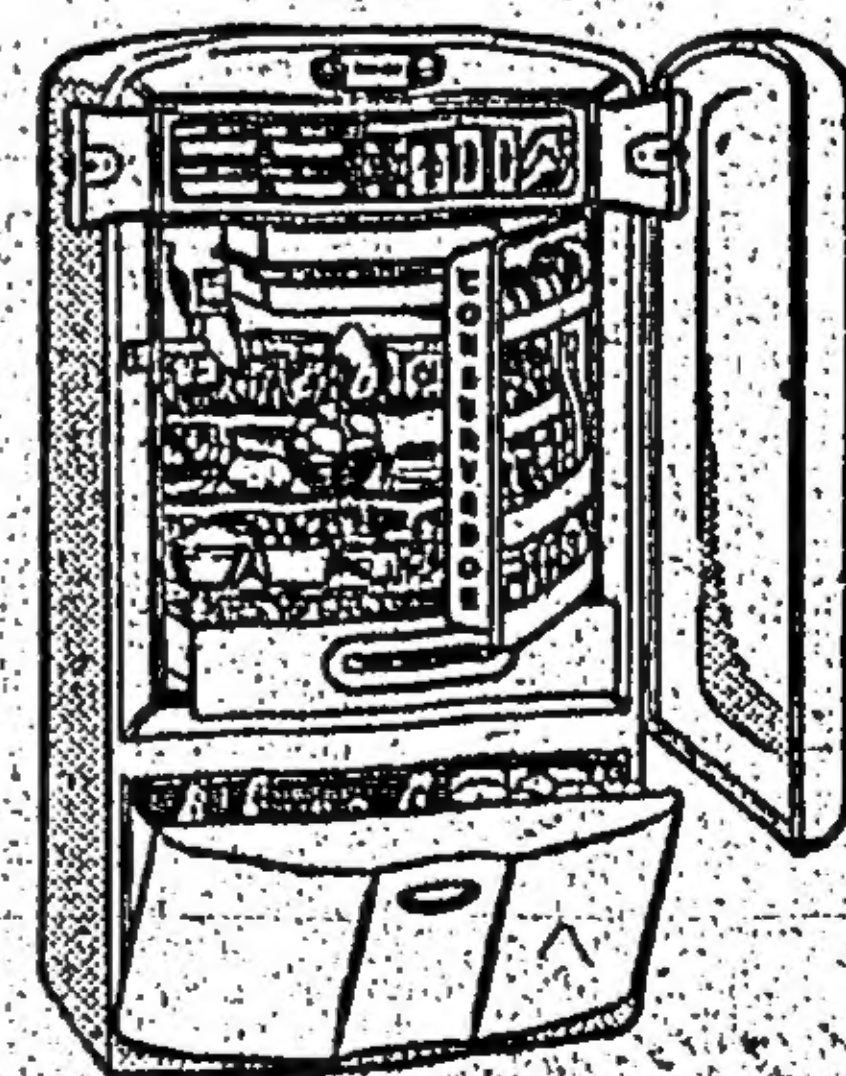
Britain's armoured divisions are now equipped with many of this type, as well as every description of fighting vehicles, trucks, cars and motor-cycles.

It has been suggested in German military circles that the war has now reached such a high degree of technical perfection that it would be impossible in the comparatively short period of a war itself to train men for such specialised fighting units, but the British Army has now many technical formations capable of their own game.

The latest British tanks have given even greater speed to armoured divisions without diminishing their striking power and many of the lessons learned in this present war are represented in the most recent models.

A typical division with its moving armoured HQ, familiarly called "The Tin Hearse," and including the latest American-made 70 m.p.h. armoured trucks, has, in addition to its own artillery, scout cars, medical corps, anti-tank, anti-aircraft and infantry units.—Reuter.

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Curious Reversal Of Tokyo Propaganda Effort In Thailand

BANGKOK'S CAUTION IN PRECAUTION

ARRIVALS IN SINGAPORE from the Thailand border remarked on the curious reversal of Japanese propaganda in Thailand which until recently was consistently belittling the British strength in Malaya and Burma.

They have turned to the contrary line now, the propaganda culminating in Tokyo Radio on Wednesday stating that 220,000 troops are standing along the British frontiers from Singapore to Burma.

Despite most emphatic and clear denials from Bangkok and Singapore, the Japanese continue their attempts to vitiate the Thai atmosphere again by putting out the report that "Thailand has received demands for bases from Britain."

"No Danger — But Be Prepared"

The new Thailand Cabinet Minister, Luang Vichit Vathakarn, Deputy Foreign Minister, broadcast yesterday on the "security of Thailand" after which translations in English, French, German, Italian and Japanese were broadcast on all wave-lengths.

The Bangkok Radio last night counselled the Thais to prepare themselves for any possible eventuality while the country was still at peace.

The speaker emphasised there was no change in the situation, that Thailand was not faced with any danger of an attack and deprecated any attempts to sensationalise precautionary advice.

NEVERTHELESS, HE URGED THE PUBLIC TO BE PREPARED

WITH SHELTERS, DUG-OUTS, BLACK-OUT EXERCISES AND TO STUDY METHODS OF DEALING WITH INCENDIARY BOMBS.

Three Guarantees

British and Japanese assurances to Thailand, the country's own determination to try its best to adhere to the strictest neutrality, and its preparedness to die for freedom, are the three guarantees of Thailand's security, said Luang Vichit Vathakarn, in his radio address which was later translated into various languages.

After reiterating Thailand's foreign policy as adumbrated on July 29 and August 9, Luang Vichit Vathakarn said that Thailand must thank the British and the Japanese for the assurances given by their spokesmen including Mr. Anthony Eden and Chief Air-Marshal Sir Brooke-Popham.

He concluded that the Thais were ready to sacrifice everything in the case of unprovoked aggression from whichever side.—Reuter.

FIFTH COLUMN AT WORK

FIGURES INTENDED TO SHOW THAT BRITAIN HAS AN AMPLE OIL-TANKER FLEET WHICH ARE BEING CIRCULATED IN THE UNITED STATES APPARENTLY IN A DELIBERATE EFFORT TO CONFUSE THE PUBLIC ARE "WHOLLY A N D COMPLETELY FALSE," STATED MR. RALPH DAVIES, UNITED STATES DEPUTY PETROLEUM CO-ORDINATOR, REPLYING TO UNOFFICIAL REPORTS THAT IT WAS NOT NECESSARY TO TRANSFER AMERICAN TANKERS TO BRITAIN.

"The inadequacy of British and Allied tankers to fulfil a wartime task as indicated by conclusive evidence in our hands is such as to warrant the transfer of American tankers to aid transportation of oil," he declared.

"No one should be deluded here. Every step taken has been essential, in our judgment, to the job of getting oil to the fighting fronts and thus protecting our own national security," he added.

Mr. Davies said that the reports that the British have ample tankers and that it was not necessary to transfer American tankers to aid the British "do not square with detailed figures submitted by the British."—Reuter.

AUSTRALIA'S MUNITIONS DRIVE

Munition workers in Australia are now estimated to number 200,000 which is 50,000 more than the Government expected a year ago, it was learned in Canberra yesterday.

Announcing this, Mr. MacBride, Minister for Munitions, said, that the number employed on the Government payroll is expected to be doubled this financial year.

Excluding the Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation and the principal naval dockyards, Government-owned factories, were now employing 50,000 operatives compared with 24,000 a year ago and 11,700 before the war.—Reuter.

QUIETER TENDENCY ON STOCK MARKET

The Stock Exchange in London yesterday displayed a tendency to pause. Profit-taking appeared in most sections but the undertone remained generally firm. Gilt-edged securities and home rails mainly retained the recent advance but Industrials were distinctly reactionary apart from the continued firmness of Breweries. Oils were irregular, Anglo-Iranian easier and Shells and Trinidad issues firm. Kaffirs fluctuated, but were generally maintained. Japanese bonds tended easier. Wall Street continued very quiet but slightly firmer.—Reuter.

LADY BROOKE IN SINGAPORE

Lady Brooke, Rance of Sarawak, arrived in Singapore yesterday by Clipper. She is on her way to Sarawak after nearly two years' absence during which time she has earned her own living in the United States.—Reuter.

RUSSIANS RAID BERLIN

Russian planes raided Berlin on Wednesday night, causing fires; Moscow Radio announced last night, adding that all the Russian planes returned safely.—Reuter.

Dutch Scouts Defiant

Dutch Boy Scouts are defying the Nazi ban making them members of an illegal organisation and are holding meetings and camps, states "Vrij Nederland," the Free Dutch newspaper published in London.

The boys and their parents have been warned by the Nazi Commissioner-General for Public Security of the punishment that will be meted out to them if this continues.

He states: "German police patrols during July and August have noticed that Boy Scouts have been active."

"A camp was raided near Putten and 120 Scouts arrested. The boys resisted the German Police who were compelled to use their arms. One 16-year-old Scout was wounded."

"The boys' parents share in the blame for the Scout movement defying the ban and if they do not stop their sons from stupid Scout activities they will be arrested and their sons will be expelled from school."—Reuter.

SOLDIER & P.C. IN GUN DUEL

Thousands of Home Guards, police and regular soldiers searched North Buckinghamshire, Northamptonshire and Bedfordshire for a man dressed in the uniform of an officer of a Scots regiment, who fired at a policeman near Bletchley.

All traffic on the main London-Birmingham road was stopped and searched and identity cards were checked.

The Chief Constable of Bucks, Colonel T. R. P. Warren, was directing the man hunt.

When last seen the wanted man was hatless and wore a light raincoat and carried a haversack.

Chased Across Fields

Police Constable Eric Snarey was motor-cycling between Newport Pagnell and Bletchley when he saw the man lying in a ditch. He answered the description of a person reported in the district some days ago.

Seeing the policeman, the man ran through a hedge firing shots at him. Police Constable Snarey re-

TERRIFIC ODESSA BATTLE

An unfinished battleship and cruiser that were on the shipyard stocks at the Black Sea port of Nikolaiev, were blown up before the Soviet forces evacuated the port.

This fact was revealed in Moscow yesterday by M. Lozovsky, the Soviet spokesman. Questioned about the German claim to have captured a battleship and other vessels there, he said this was untrue.

The battleship and cruiser on the stocks were without engines and were blown up together with the shipyards, he added.

REPLYING TO REUTER, M. LOZOVSKY SAID THAT ODESSA WAS NEITHER A DUNKIRK NOR A TOBRUK. "IT IS ODESSA," HE SAID, "ONE OF THE FIERCEST AND MOST MEMORABLE BATTLES OF THIS WAR."—REUTER.

NEW COMMAND FOR LORD LOUIS

The aircraft carrier "Illustrious," which is in an American shipyard under repairs, is to be commanded by Captain Lord Louis Mountbatten, it is officially announced by the British Press Service in New York.

Lord Louis Mountbatten was in command of H.M.S. Kelly which was once nearly sunk in a dive-bombing attack in the Channel, and was subsequently sunk off Crete.

It will be recalled that "Illustrious" was the main target of German and Italian dive-bombers on January 10 when British warships were escorting a large and vital convoy to Greece.

The Admiralty then announced that she was struck by seven large bombs which put several of her guns out of action and caused several fires on board. Under her own steam, with an escort of destroyers, "Illustrious" reached Malta.—Reuter.

PHONE GIRLS ANGRY AT MARRIAGE BAN

Telephone exchange girls who want to marry Servicemen urge the lifting of the Post Office ban on married women.

But their applications are being turned down. The postal authorities say, in effect:—

"The ban on married women will not be relaxed unless there is a shortage of staffs. At present there is no shortage of telephone girls."

"Some married women are being employed as telegraphists and counter clerks to relieve the pressure, but they are given clearly to understand their engagement is a temporary one."

turned the fire but neither was hit. The policeman gave chase across fields, but all trace of the man was lost when he waded across the River Ousel and disappeared in the long grass.

A little later a Home Guard at Ravenstone, about ten miles from Newport Pagnell, saw a man on a bicycle make off hastily at his approach. The alarm was given.



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A MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

Solid Declaration Against Peace With Hitler Eight Points Will Become National Policy

A SOLID DECLARATION AGAINST ANY NEGOTIATED PEACE WITH HITLER WAS GIVEN BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT YESTERDAY IN A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO CONGRESS, REPORTING ON HIS EPOCH-MAKING MEETING AT SEA WITH MR. CHURCHILL.

The President said that the declaration of principles agreed upon there were so clear cut that they would be difficult to oppose "without automatically admitting willingness to accept a compromise."

These principles, he added, also would be hard to oppose without admitting willingness "to agree to a world peace which would give to Nazism domination over large numbers of conquered nations."

"Inevitably," said the President, "such a peace would be a gift to Nazism to take a breath — an armed breath — for a second war to extend their control over Europe and Asia to the American hemisphere itself."

Freedoms

It was perhaps unnecessary, he went on, to call attention once more to the utter lack of validity of the written or spoken word of the Nazi Government.

It was also unnecessary to point out that the eight-point declaration included of necessity "the world need for freedom of religion and freedom of information."

No society of the world organized under the announced principles could survive without these freedoms which are part of the whole freedom for which we strive."

Suggestion To President

Officials at the White House say that the President's special message to Congress was suggested by the Democratic Congressional party leaders who conferred with the President on August 18 regarding the Atlantic conference.

President Roosevelt made a reference to Canadian ships which is believed to be the first official announcement that Canadian warships were present at the scene of the conference. — Reuter.



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COLONEL COLLET PROMOTED

A number of important promotions in the Free French Army in the Levant have been made by General de Gaulle, Commander-in-Chief of the Free French Forces.

They include promotion to the rank of General of Colonel Collet, at present Commander of the Damascus garrison and delegate of the Free French to the Syrian Government.

Colonel Moncelart, Governor of the Jebel-Druze, and Colonel Vallian, head of the Free French Air Force.

General Collet was one of the first high French officers to go over to the Free French Forces. — Reuter.

NO DELUSIONS

The most outspoken Japanese anti-Hitler comment yet made, appeared in the Japanese-owned "Singapore Herald" yesterday as follows:

"Hitler cares nothing for Japan except the use he can make of her to further his ambitions. Nothing will happen to her if Japan plays her part carefully." — Reuter.

PRES. ROOSEVELT FOLLOWS HIS OWN PRECEDENT

BY INFORMING Congress officially of his talks with Mr. Churchill, President Roosevelt has followed the practice he established in the case of the American ship "Robin Moor," namely telling legislators of the action taken and the policy pursued.

As on the previous occasion his message calls for no action but it undoubtedly will be approved by Congress.

After that the eight points will be national policy rather than just Administration policy.

The "clear gains" to which President Roosevelt refers are already in evidence. The conversations on the high seas, combined with Lord Beaverbrook's activities in Washington since, and the coming Anglo-Russian-American Conference, indicate clearly a new strategy of supply with Washington as the nerve centre.

British and U.S. production of war supplies, it is reported, is now being made one integral whole, working with one purpose towards a single objective. A much higher degree of efficiency seems bound to result. It is stated that efforts will now be directed towards bringing Russia into this supply system so that the industrial efforts of all these nations can be integrated and directed in an intelligent manner towards their common objective.

Lack Of Information

At present, it is added, there is not sufficient information coming from Russia either in regard to the fighting or production in the Soviet Union for this purpose but it is believed that the position has been stated unequivocally to Moscow and it will be repeated if necessary when the tripartite talks in Moscow begin. — Reuter.

Norway Taking The Air

In a week or so the first fighter squadron of the Norwegian Air Force in Britain will be ready to operate with the Royal Air Force, it was learned in London yesterday.

Equipped with Hurricanes, its pilots and ground crews have come from all over the world.

The pilots are all fliers of great experience who were either in the Norwegian Air Force or were commercial pilots before the invasion of Norway.

The Commanding Officer is a Norwegian Air Force staff officer who escaped. — Reuter.

CYPRUS TOWN BOMBED

Enemy planes raided Famagusta in Cyprus yesterday morning, causing some civilian casualties and slight damage to civilian property, says Reuter's Nicosia correspondent.

EGYPTIAN TRADE WITH SYRIA

A Board of Trade regulation issued on Wednesday in Cairo permitting trade with Syria is expected to help bringing down the cost of living there.

One of the reasons for the present high costs in Syria is the fact that the Vichy regime left Syria short of essential supplies.

The British and the Free French authorities have now arranged for 5,000 tons of wheat to be delivered to Damascus at the rate of 150 tons daily.

The currency will remain stabilised at 8.33 which obviates the necessity for a black bourse.

CRUELTY TO A PIGEON

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands visited an R.A.F. aerodrome yesterday where Dutch fighter pilots are in training, the Prince arriving in his own plane which he was piloting.

He took off as the leader of a training formation of nine machines all piloted by Dutch flyers.

On landing, Prince Bernhard said to his compatriots: "I am proud that thanks to the cooperation of the R.A.F. we are now able to train Dutchmen as fighter pilots here in England, so that shortly we may have many Dutch squadrons in action with the R.A.F."

"These squadrons will fly Spitfires presented by the N.E.L. I am grateful for the excellent training the R.A.F. has given me and I have no doubt that all of you appreciate the facilities given by Great Britain. I wish you all the best of luck during and after your training." — Reuter.

Sir, — It has been brought to the notice of the Hong Kong Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals that a member of the Public brought to a place of amusement in the Colony a live pigeon, which was let loose and the guests were invited to catch it, the person catching it being given a prize. Immediately the matter was brought to the notice of the management, the Manager took steps to prevent its recurrence.

I am instructed by my Committee to point out that amusements of this nature are cruel, and to ask members of the Public to cooperate with the Society in trying to prevent similar so-called forms of amusement and to say that the Society will be most grateful to anybody who will let us know either of any proposal for so-called entertainment of this nature or of similar incidents.

W. REES HARRISS,
Hon. Secretary



ACHTUNG, HAWKINS! ACHTUNG!

"I say, Hawkins, you might be more careful. You nearly had me over the banisters."

"I'm very sorry, Sir. I had not anticipated your arrival in — or — on — fall — swoop, if I may coin a phrase. In fact, Sir, I didn't know you were up."

"My good man, I've been up since cockcrow. The clocks were striking eight as I leapt from my Spartan box spring mattress."

"Indeed, Sir."

"Yes, Hawkins. Indeed! Indeed! Indeed! I suppose you think I ought to have a roaring headache."

and a taste in my mouth like cold dinner knives?"

"Well, Sir, now that you press me, you were out rather late last night."

"Of course I was. Didn't get back till three. But I drank nothing but 'Gimlets.' And now I'm feeling as fit as one of those culinary what's-its-names."

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"Confound you, Hawkins. You know all the answers!"

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BANK OF FRANCE RAISES A QUESTION

WHERE IS THE Bank of France's gold, asks the "Financial News" in London yesterday commenting on the first weekly statement published by the Bank of France since the collapse, showing that the gold reserve of the bank amounts to 84½ milliard francs.

This figure does not differ materially from the amount of gold holding before the Franco-German Armistice.

The question is how much of this gold is under effective control of the Vichy authorities?

As is well known a large amount was transferred to the United States before the collapse and was frozen by an order of the Washington Administration.

Another substantial amount found its way to Martinique and is kept there.

An agreement was recently reached between the Vichy Government and the United States Government by which the former undertook to consult the latter before moving any gold from Martinique. In return the American authorities agreed to release some of the French gold frozen in the United States for urgent requirements of the inhabitants of Martinique.

In Dakar

A substantial part of the French gold reserve was evacuated to Dakar.

Complete mystery surrounds the fate of this gold. According to one theory, a French warship transferred it to Martinique but it is more probable that the gold is still at Dakar. One wonders how long it will be before the Vichy Government agrees to surrender part of its gold to Germany.—Reuter.

CLOSER GUARD ON BANNED AREAS

Police checks on holidaymakers who enter banned areas without permits or for inadequate reasons are to be tightened up.

This has been made necessary because people still travel to coastal districts by road and rail despite the regulations.

In Brighton alone thirty people have been fined for entering the area and forty summonses are waiting to be heard. These have all been issued since Whitun.

One case in particular put the police "wise" to a new racket.

A London girl and two men friends were fined 30s. each at Brighton Police Court for being in the town without a permit or adequate reason.

They explained that they met a man in North London who promised to arrange board and lodging for them and to get them a permit. They were to pay him an all-in rate for the week-end.

On their first morning in Brighton they were stopped by the police and sent back to London.

DUST STORMS IN THE DESERT

A British General Headquarters communiqué issued in Cairo yesterday states that in the Tobruk area heavy duststorms continue to limit air control activities. In the frontier area there is no change. The Suez Canal area had another air raid on Wednesday night. Two were killed and 20 injured and slight damage to property was caused.—Reuter.

DEATH LEAP TO SWINGTIME

Playboy Richard Johnson, 24, engaged two swing musicians in Chicago and ordered them to play "Music, Maestro, Please" on the roof of his hotel.

While they played, Johnson threw himself into a gay swing dance, stepping and twirling towards the edge of the roof.

Suddenly he threw up his hands like a diver and plunged to his death to the street seventeen storeys below.

SOLAR ECLIPSE TO LAST 202 SECONDS ON SEPTEMBER 21

Nearly total darkness, with stars of First Magnitude probably visible, are expected to accompany the total solar eclipse at noon on September 21, which because of the nearness of the shadow path will afford a unique opportunity for observation of China residents, especially those living in the lower Yangtze River district.

The duration of the total phase of the eclipse is estimated at 202 seconds, which is sufficient for useful observation.

The total shadow path will pass 400 kilometres south of Shanghai which is relatively far. Such phenomena as corona, prominences which require totality will be not observed here, while the darkness will be nearly total.

The differences of temperature although real will be small, the eclipse occurring at noon when the earth surface is already hot. For visual observations, according to the Zikawei Observatory, the best way is to use ordinary glasses with black eye-pieces like those used by mariners in their sextant. For the naked eye it would be best to prepare glasses wholly or partially smoked.

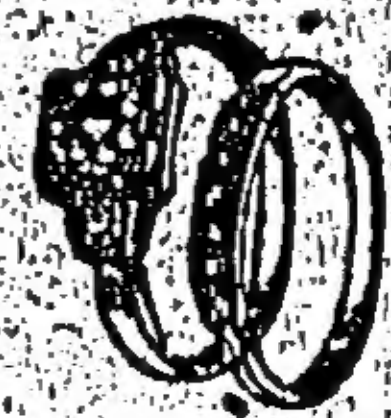
The most scientific observations possible here and independent of cloudiness would be the variations in the intensity of reception of radio waves. The eclipse will modify the reflecting power of the upper layers of the atmosphere (Kennelly-Heaviside layer).

The eclipse path passes south-eastwardly through the expanse of Asia dividing it almost into two equal parts and covers a wide terrain from the high tablelands of the interior to the river regions. It begins at sunrise in the North Caucasus and its shadow path traverses the Caspian Sea and the Central Asia region of Soviet Russia. Entering China from the north-west it passes through the heart of the country, again dividing it into two halves at its longest diameter, and disappears in the Pacific Ocean.

The districts passed over in China by the shadow are: the Tien Shan Mountain range and the Tarim Basin in Sinkiang north of the Takla Makan Desert, north of Tsinhai (Kokonor) province, southern Kansu, southern Shensi, the entire part of Hupeh, northern Kiangsi, a part of southern Chekiang and northern Fukien.

Among the towns passed over are: Kuche and Luntai of Sinkiang, Tulun and Sining, the capital of Tsinhai; Linhsia, Lin-tao and Tien-shui of Kansu, who's capital Lanchow is on the northern limit of the shadow; Fenchien and Ankang of Shensi; Paokang, Shennung and Hankow, Wuchang and Hanyang, Kukiang, Yungku and Nanchang capital of Kiangsi; Pucheng, Kienyang and Fuan of Fukien and other important towns.

Through China Proper the path intersects the most densely populated districts and numerous highways. The railway lines include the Lanchow Line, the Peiping-Hankow Line, the Canton-Hankow Line, the Nanchang-Hunan Line, the Nanchang-Hunan Line, the Nanchang-Kukiang Line, the Nanchang-Nanchang Line and the Nanchang-Kienyang Line. It also traverses the Yangtze River in Hupeh Province.



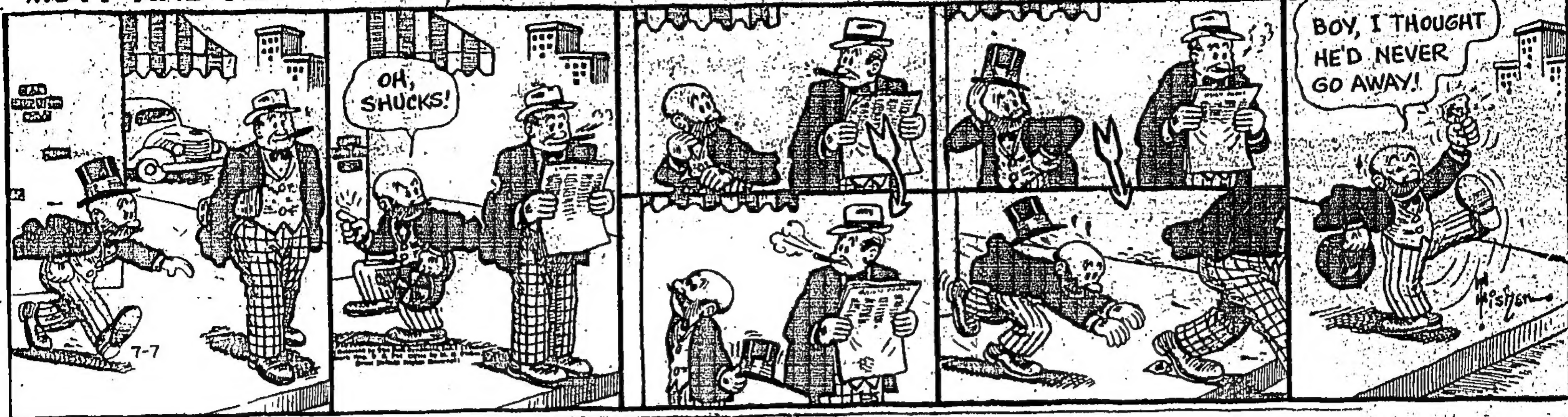
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MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER

DEATH BEAT POLICE
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A BRIDE of a few weeks heard at a London inquest the other day that her Army officer husband had shot himself in a West End hotel a minute before military police arrived to arrest him.

The husband, a second-lieutenant, was posing as a captain. The military police were looking for him because he had been absent from his unit. He was Peter Blake, 21, of the Somerset Light Infantry. Dressed in black, his widow, whose home is at Drummond-grove, Great Barr, Birmingham, sat in the back of the court.

She did not give evidence. Lieutenant R. G. Forbes Bassett, of the Military Police, told how all the hotels in the West End of London had been circulated with Blake's description. "He had been the subject of inquiries for some time," he stated.

"Hurry Up, He's —"

"We were told that he had arrived at an hotel on Sunday evening. When I got there the manager met me, saying:

"Hurry up, he's sitting in the cloak room with a revolver at his head."

"One minute before I got there he had shot himself dead. There is no real reason why he should have taken his life."

Blake, it was stated, came to the hotel wearing the rank of captain.

Went To Dance

He was given a room after he had said that a bachelorette was bringing his luggage.

Later in the afternoon he attended the Officers' Club tea dance at the hotel.

"He said he hadn't much money," said the receptionist, "and when he signed a blank cheque I noticed that the signature didn't tally with the registration form."

The coroner recorded the verdict that Blake took his life while he was of unsound mind.

After the hearing, Mrs. Blake said: "I cannot believe that my husband was in trouble over money, because he had a bank balance."

"It may be that he wanted to live in a more expensive manner than he could. But I can't think of any reason why he should have wanted to kill himself."

"According to his senior officers, he had a great future in his Army career."

PROPOSES ANGLO-U.S.
CONVENTION NOW

"We ought now to convene a Joint Anglo-American Convention to prepare plans for ensuring a just and lasting peace."

"Fifty British and 50 American representatives should be members of that Convention; and it should be summoned now."

Mr. R. C. Morrison, M.P. for Tottenham, made this proposal at the London Cooperative Party's School.

When the "cease fire" is sounded, Mr. Morrison added, joint British and American Commissions should be established in the different capitals, and charged with the single duties of preventing starvation and widespread riots, and also to prevent general collapse.

The same Commission should also be empowered to collect super-weapons — tanks, planes, and war vessels — and hand them over to the custody of an International Board, while preparing for the election and summoning of National Assemblies in the different countries.

FIRE-FIGHTING
WITHOUT FOOD

IT IS TO BE HOPED THAT THE MINISTRY OF HOME SECURITY AND OTHER COMPETENT BODIES ENGAGED IN IMPROVING OUR FIRE-FIGHTING SYSTEM WILL GIVE ATTENTION TO THE MOBILE CANTEN SERVICE, WHICH IS SAID TO HAVE PROVED INADEQUATE IN THE BIG AIR RAID ON LONDON, WRITES A LONDON CORRESPONDENT.

Many mobile canteens are run by private organisations, such as the W.V.S., Y.M.C.A., and Salvation Army, and they did admirable work. But the total number of private and public mobile canteens is insufficient in London to cope with a large-scale raid.

There were many fires at which the firemen were unable to get any food, not even cups of tea. In some cases they had to do without refreshments for twelve hours on end and more.

WEARING OF MASKS
IN OFFICE
IS SUGGESTED

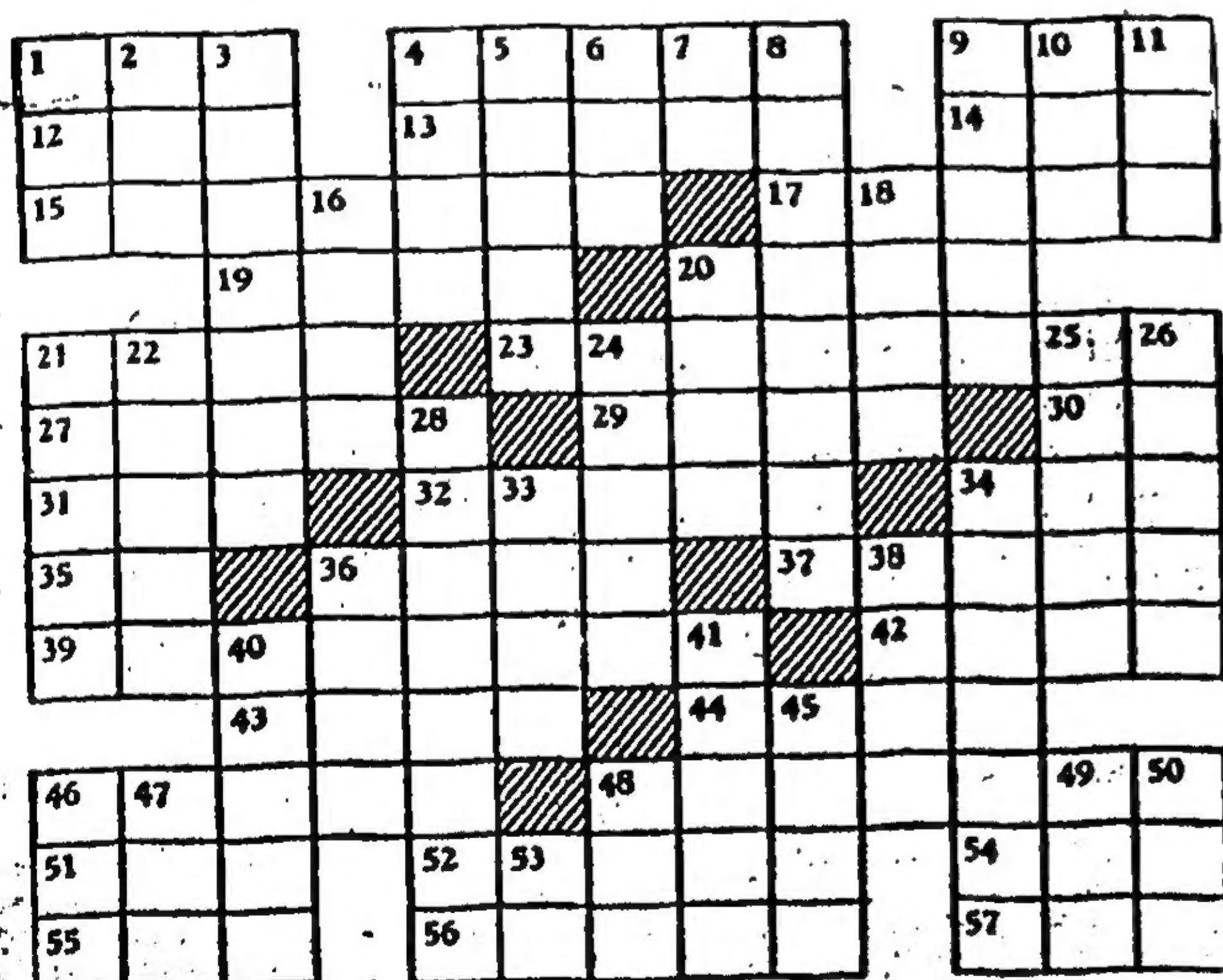
If masks are worn in shelters to prevent the spread of infection, why not in the workroom or office, suggests Mr. V. Zachary Cope, a Harley Street surgeon, in Medical Journal, according to the "Evening Standard" reporter. "Making the reasonable assumption that in Great Britain every year one million people lose one day from work as the result of a cold," he says, "the time lost from this cause annually would equal nearly 3000 work years. Would it not be worth while attempting to reduce this time by mask prophylaxis?"

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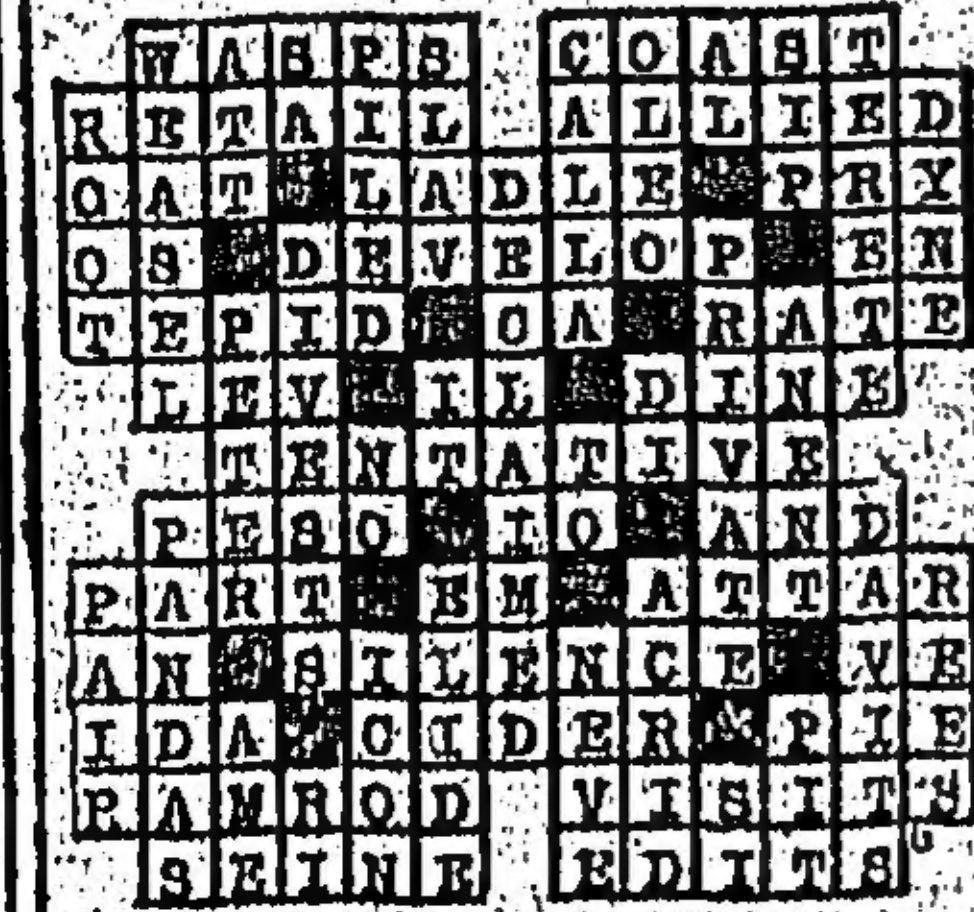
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- 10 Part of a clarinet
- 11 Go away!
- 12 Laws
- 13 Roofing tin
- 14 Dutch cheese
- 15 Greek letter
- 16 Anglo-Saxon money
- 17 Under ground worker
- 18 Witty phrase
- 19 Negative
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- 25 Implement
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- 3 Greek mythological
- 4 Character
- 5 South American rodent
- 6 Gamins
- 7 Mountain pass
- 8 Printer's measure
- 9 Hygienic
- 10 Holy person
- 11 Hebrew letter
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- 13 Mineral
- 14 Starch plant
- 15 Ordered
- 16 Rock
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- 18 Taut
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- 21 Feelings
- 22 Part of the eye
- 23 Conferences
- 24 To fatigue
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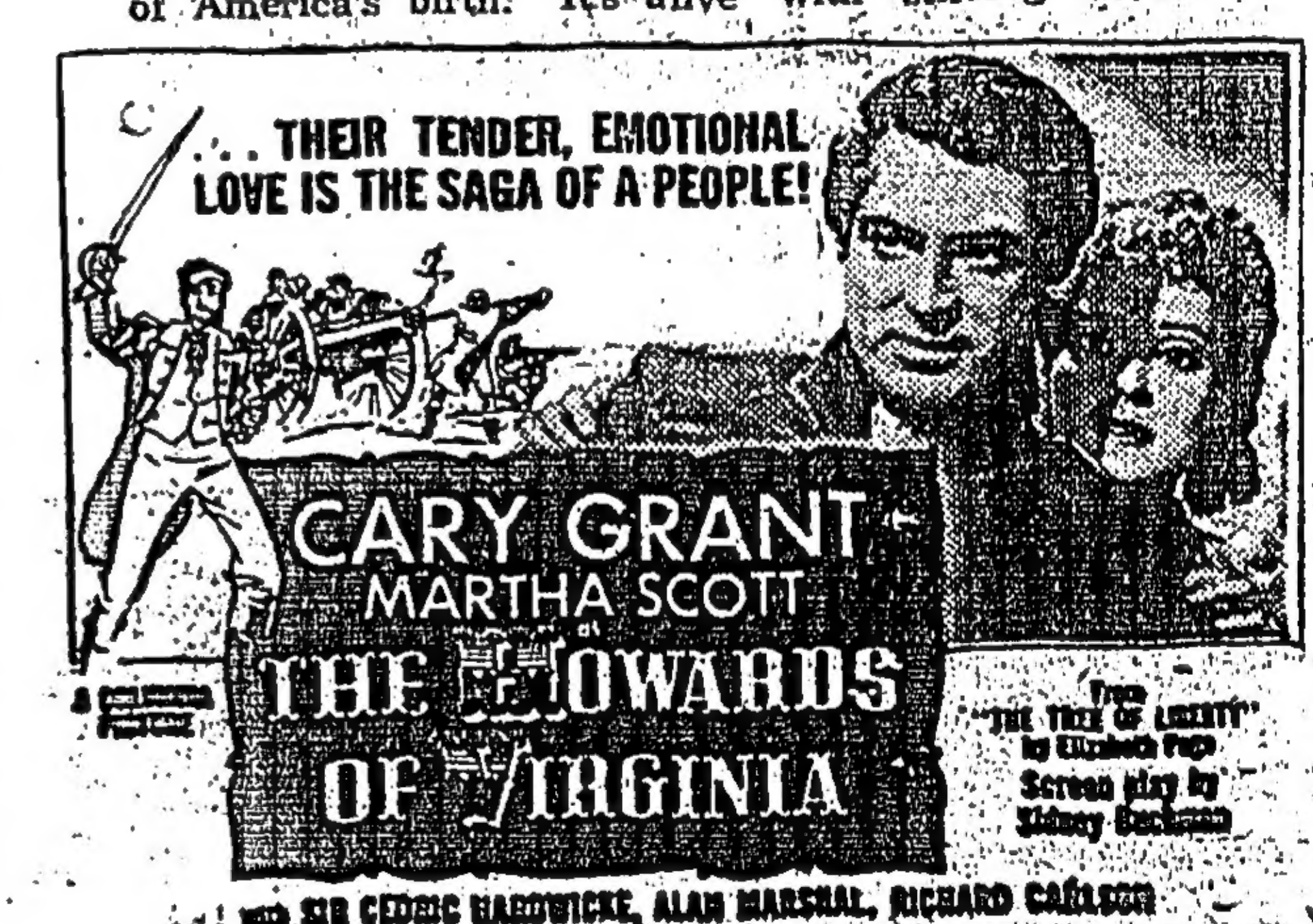
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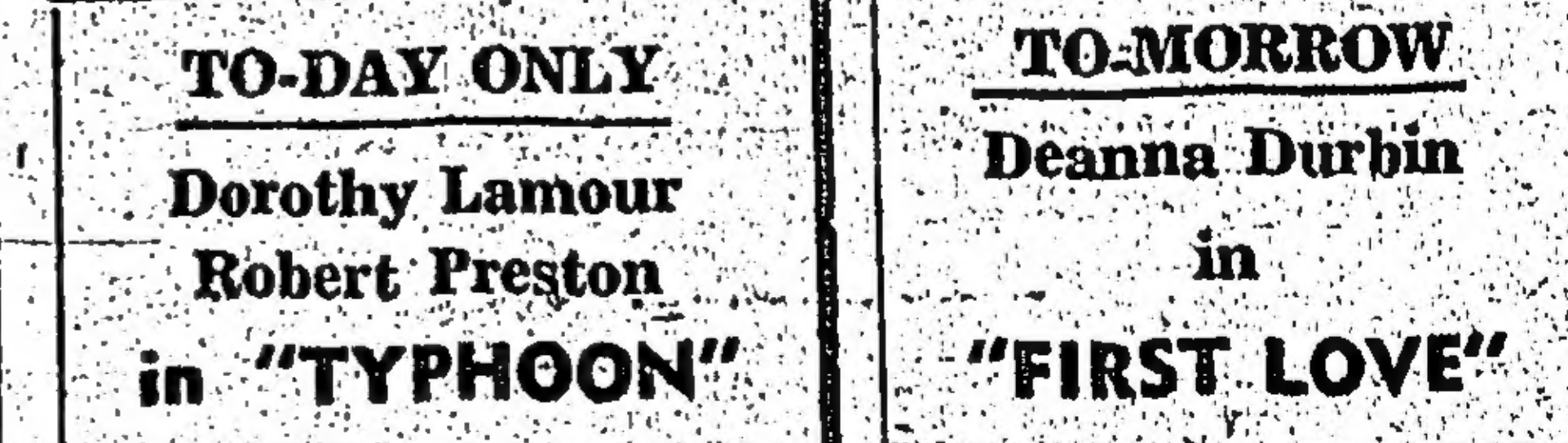


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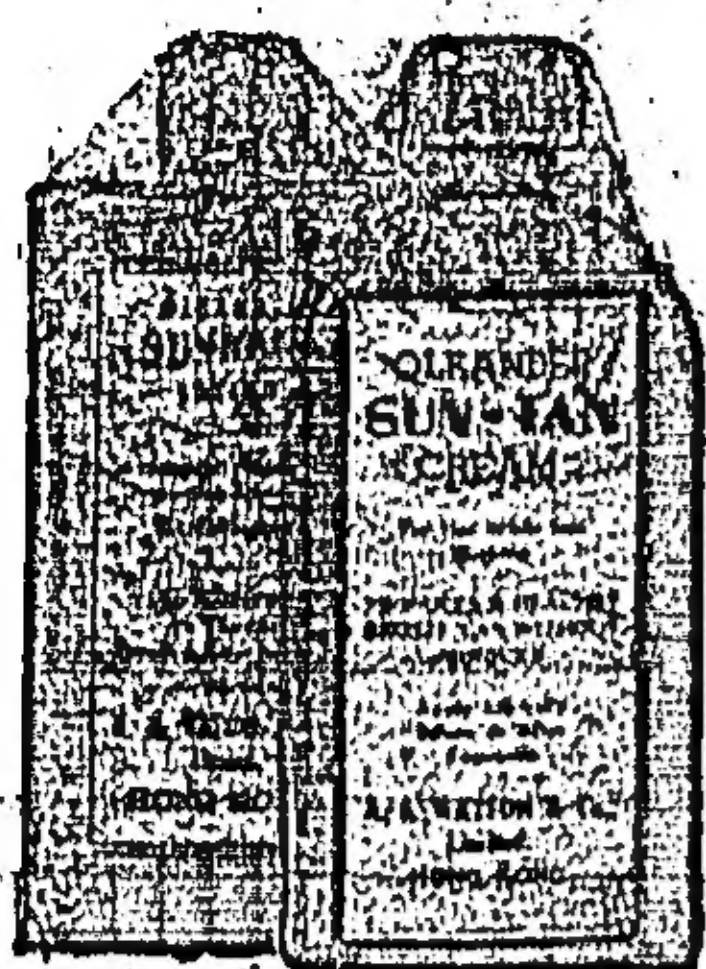
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CRIPPLING OF JAPAN IN SIX MONTHS PREDICTED

A TOTAL ECONOMIC blockade by the United States and the British Empire would cripple Japanese industry within six months of an outbreak of war with Japan, British economic warfare experts said recently.

Japan's occupation of French Indo-China will hoist her stocks of five basic commodities, but even these gains, which experts called "one of the chief reasons for the move into Indo-China," would be outweighed by the effects on Japanese industry and export trade of strict economic sanctions.

The statement was made in full knowledge of "immense stocks" of war materials bought by Japan in the world's market for the last two years.

Total Blockade Weighed

The question of a total blockade of Japan seemed to be far from academic in London. It was admitted that such a move would be the least expensive and the most readily applied action open to Britain, which already maintains blockade forces in the Red Sea, the Indian Ocean and the Atlantic.

If joint action by the American and British Governments materialises, it is most likely to take the blockade form.

Japan already has tightened her economic belt in the last two years. The British Empire, its resources straining by the task of combating Germany and Italy, has steadily scaled down its exports to Japan.

Britain's embattled position is not the sole reason for curtailment of supplies to Japan. Japan's partnership in the Axis and the nearness of her battle fleet to Singapore have convinced staff officers of the necessity of economic warfare.

Import Status Surveyed

Here, according to these experts, is Japan's import balance sheet, a foundation on which she must continue to maintain more than 2,500,000 troops in the field, equip and supply the world's third largest navy and expand an already large air force:

Iron Ore—Japan is dependent on the United States and Britain for 73 per cent; British India supplies another 21 per cent.

Scrap Iron—American supplies cut to almost nothing; Japan now living off accumulated stores.

Pig Iron—Supply from British India drastically cut.

Oil—Japan has "enormous stocks" on hand, but modern war demands are proportionately great; United States curtailment of high-octane fuel view here as almost worthless, since Japanese are reported able to improve available fuel for aircraft use.

If the United States clamps down on oil shipments, Venezuelan and Central American production would be available "until United States influence in South America is exerted," according to the British. The Netherlands has curtailed the East Indian supply as a defence measure, although some got through because of Japanese pressure.

Copper—Japan purchased heavily in Chile, the United States and Canada; sources in British Empire now almost nothing and stocks in Japan are said to be dwindling steadily.

Lead And Zinc Restricted

Lead—Formerly bought mostly in Burma, Australia, Canada and the United States.

Zinc—Buying position in the British Empire identical with that of lead; American defence priorities taking much that once went to Japan.

Tin—Japan once was one of the leading tin customers of Malaya and the Netherlands Indies. This source is closed, but there is tin in Indo-China and Thailand (Siam).

Nickel—Formerly bought from Canada. The lone near-by market is New Caledonia, now in Free French hands and soon to be closed to Japan.

Aluminium—Biggest supplies in Canada and the Netherlands Indies. Both would be closed to Japan if sanctions were imposed.

Manganese—Supplies from

India and Malaya would be lost to Japan in case of blockade. Limited stocks on hand.

Vanadium—Supplies of this important ferro alloy are almost exclusively the property of the British Empire and the United States. One other source is Peru, where it is believed United States influence would be important.

Mercury—Italian supply shut off. The United States, Mexico and Spain are other producers.

Rubber And Coal Available

Rubber—Malay and East Indies supplies would be stopped by blockade, but considerable stocks are on hand in Thailand and Indo-China produces some.

Coal—Very scanty, but stocks of anthracite are available in Indo-China.

Cotton—Almost all is imported from the United States and India, and would be cut by a blockade.

Wool—Japan bought almost her entire stock in Australia.

By occupation of Indo-China, Japan gained an annual production of 70,000 tons of rubber, 2,500 to 3,000 tons of tin, 1,500,000 to 2,000,000 tons of rice, 300 tons of tungsten and 1,000 tons of zinc. A major part of Indo-Chinese anthracite, of which the yearly production reaches 800,000 tons, also, is available to the Japanese.

THEY DELIVER THE NEWS—HOT

"I have seen newsboys in London delivering papers within half an hour after the bombs. Delivery of hot news to the reading public has been carried out well and efficiently."

This tribute was paid by Mr. Alexander Maclaren, general secretary of the National Federation of Retail Newsagents, Book-sellers and Stationers at its annual conference at Hkley the other day.

He said the attraction of the printed word was so compelling that many people were more irritated at being refused their usual newspaper or periodical than they were about the absence of the morning egg.

'STOP AWARDS'

"In view of the difficulty of avoiding invidious distinctions when widespread heroism is being displayed, will the Prime Minister consider suspending all such awards as a tribute to the nation for its heroism?" Mr. Alfred Edwards (Soc., E. Middlesbrough) will ask this in Parliament.

HABIT OF BIGAMY

A lieutenant in the Royal Army Pay Corps, said by the Judge to "make a habit of getting married," was sentenced to three years penal servitude at Exeter Assizes recently.

He was Gerald Francis Mauduit St. Claire, 41, who pleaded guilty to two charges of bigamy. He had been sentenced to fifteen months' hard labour for bigamy in 1934.

St. Claire, it was stated, was first married at Winchester in 1923 in the name of Alfred Edward Francis (his real name).

In April, 1936, his wife got a decree nisi. Two months before it was made absolute he went through a form of marriage with a woman by whom he had two children.

Dance Hall Love

He met another woman in a Plymouth dance hall last July and told her he was a captain in the Royal Artillery. He married her. This, said the prosecutor, was presumably a legal marriage, as the decree nisi had been made absolute.

At the end of last August he met another woman at Liverpool, telling her he was single and "married" her.

The police said St. Claire was cashed from the Army and sentenced to seventy days' detention for falsifying accounts in 1934.



Alice Faye, John Payne and Jack Oakie, in "The Great American Broadcast" coming to the King's Theatre soon.

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THE BATTLE OF THE WEST

As Dr. Goebbels continues hastily putting out photographs of, presumably, good Nazis painting "V's" on locomotives, he only deepens one's interest in the progress of the second great battle on the Continent — the secret Battle of the West, in which there are no fronts, no war maps and few communiques, but which can be of critical importance. We have seen two great wars — the Napoleonic and the first World War — won neither in the East nor in the West but by interaction between the two. It is not with their bombers alone that the British are now fighting in the West. The "V" campaign, as it was announced from London, may have seemed only a gigantic publicity stunt to the strains of Beethoven's "fate" motive. There is no doubt that there is more to it than that.

There are more than hints of large-scale sabotage organised on the Continent. There is, moreover, somewhat less credible, a story from Berne about the wrecking of German troop trains in occupied France, with British parachutists assisting the French saboteurs, and painted "V's" left to decorate the wreckage. There is a story about a colossal explosion in Austria, when a huge underground benzene store was blown up; there are stories about destroyed munitions factories; there are stories about serious sabotage behind the lines in Poland. How much reality there may be behind these stories or how far they are simply part of a "war of nerves" we do not know; but the German munitions train which was, beyond doubt, recently wrecked and exploded in Sweden at least gives pause.

The stories are timed not only to Beethoven's theme but to the thunderous crash of British bombs on western Germany about which the Nazis have shut down an iron silence. It is all a part of single great battle, a battle of destruction of resources and communications and factory capacity, a battle of sabotage, a battle of nerves, a battle of propaganda, at once to weaken the German hope of victory and rouse the spirit of undying resistance in the victim peoples. It is an attempt by every possible means to utilise the immense de-



SPIRIT OF FREE FRANCE: REMEMBER SYRIA?

Nazi Stooges In Japan

By Charles N. Spinks

As in other countries, the Nazi Fifth Column in Japan relies heavily on non-German stooges and go-betweens.

Nationals from occupied territories in Europe, German vassal states and doubtful neutrals like Spain and Sweden provide a bizarre assortment of stool pigeons and informers, some posing as anti-Nazi, who frequent such places as hotel lobbies, summer resorts, foreign-style restaurants and bars, and the Tokyo and American clubs.

There are the sordid types, the broken-down renegades, beach-combers and bar-fies of Tokyo's foreign community, who get their hand-outs from the German Embassy.

Glamour Girls Imported

The more romantic side is provided by White Russian filles de joie imported from Shanghai and Tientsin, glamorous ladies from Central Europe and the Balkans, slightly tarnished but-terflies who flit mysteriously about the Far East with ample funds, sleek Chinese bar girls, and demure Japanese cafe waitresses.

Scores of ultra-nationalist Asiatics act as henchmen, go-betweens and agents, provocateurs for the Nazi fifth column.

The Great Mogul of the Indian collaborators is Rash Behari Bose, head of the India Independence League in Japan, a naturalised Japanese. He fled to Japan in 1915 after attempting a number of revolutionary plots and hurling

democratic forces latent under the German dictatorship, to proclaim the peoples' war which will drain the strength of that dictatorship much as the rebellion of the Spanish people, with British support, once drained the life blood out of the Napoleonic colossus. So, at any rate, it must be intended; for no one needs to tell Mr. Churchill that this is, above all, the moment for every possible offensive effort in the West.

a bomb at and severely injuring Lord Hardinge, Viceroy of India.

In still other ways, in addition to the use of non-Germans, the story of Nazi propaganda methods in Japan follows the pattern employed by German fifth columns in other countries. Its aims in Japan, however, are specialised.

and influenced by Japan's present position in the Pacific and the Japanese Government's present obligations under the Tripartite Alliance.

Nazi propaganda objectives, therefore, are directed toward the achievement of two principal goals:

- (1) The rightist revolution which will make Japan a totalitarian vassal of the Third Reich.
- (2) The promotion of a Japanese-American war by convincing Japan that southward expansion into the East Indies can be achieved without such a war.

The German Embassy in Tokyo, the fountain-head of this propaganda campaign, is assisted in this work by DNB and Trans-ocean, the two German news agencies which deal in editorial fabrications. Both have headquarters in Tokyo. In addition, there are no less than 150 German "press representatives" stationed in Japan, as against only six correspondents from the U.S. and about three from the British Empire.

Distribute Nazi Literature

One of the principal tasks of the Nazi newspaper men is to raise the right sort of questions for Official Spokesman Ko Ishii of the Cabinet Information Bureau during his regular press conferences and to head off too direct or embarrassing queries posed by other correspondents.

Loaded With German Books

Look at Tokyo to-day. It is spattered with numerous pro-Axis pamphlets, works sponsored by patriotic societies or written by retired army officers (general-

ly members of the powerful Meirinkai). Go into Maruzen's Book Store at Kyobashi, Tokyo, the largest retail bookshop in Japan. Almost half the foreign book section covering the second floor is given over to German publications, mostly rank Nazi propaganda enterprises.

It is by control of the Japanese press, however, that the Nazi Fifth Column in Japan has been most successful. This was made possible by working agreements with the Home Office censors and the Kempeitai, or military police. To suppress unfavourable news is only half of this propaganda job. Of equal importance is to obtain the publication of the right kind of news. This the Germans have achieved by a number of ways.

Through what amounted to outright bribes, the Nazis have gained complete control of the "Hochi" and the "Kokumin Shim-bun," third-rate Tokyo dailies. Both have carried the editorial brunt of the Fifth Column's campaign in Japan. The "Kokumin" was reached in the autumn of 1939 through its long-standing connections with the Japanese Army.

In the spring of 1938 the "Hochi" passed into the hands of a bankrupt political agitator, formerly president of the Japan-German Anti-Comintern Society, who was supplied with the necessary funds by Nazi Presseleiter Jacob Sahl.

The German fifth column unsuccessfully attempted to buy out two American-owned papers in Tokyo: the "Japan Advertiser" and "Japan News-Week." Three times the value of the latter publication, in U.S. dollars, was offered. But the American owner refused to negotiate with the Germans.

Advertiser Is Sold

Last autumn, however, the "Japan Advertiser" was sold to the Japan Times Publishing Co., controlled by the Japanese Foreign Office. Now known as the "Japan Times and Advertiser," the former American daily has been fully geared to the Nazi fifth column, despite the efforts of its able publisher Toshi Go to keep it a first-rate newspaper.

Shortly after the change of ownership, a special stooge was appointed to the paper's staff, a worn-out official from the Japanese diplomatic service. His task is not to see that this Japanese-owned and edited paper does not publish material harmful to Japan, but to insure that all news, editorials and photographs have the proper pro-Axis flavour. And what a time the editorial staff had composing pro-Italian headlines for the articles on Italy's defeats in Albania and Libya last winter!

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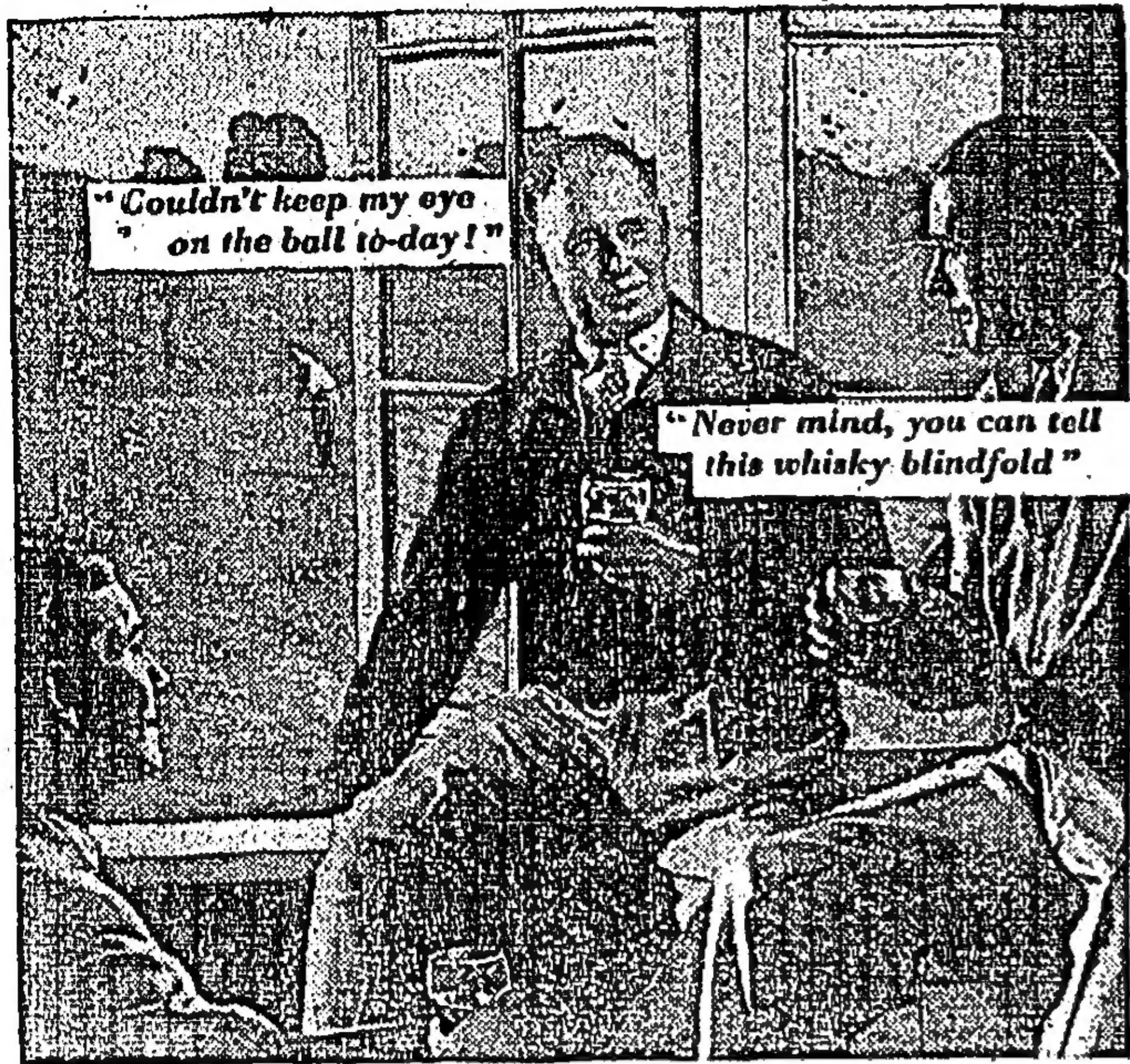
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Reds See Defect In German Armour

(By Eugene Petroff)

THE FIRST MONTH of the Russian war with Adolf Hitler's Germany has ended. During the last thirty days hundreds of thousands of persons have been annihilated, millions have been crippled, millions orphaned and made homeless.

In the last war, a whole year was required for such losses. But Hitler is just as far from his aim to devastate Russia and conquer the world as he was on the first day of the war.



Margaret Lockwood in "Night Train" coming to the King's Theatre soon.

MEASLES HOLDS UP A MURDER CASE

Because she developed measles while on remand, Violet Gwenoné Mundin, 19, of Theobalds Park Road, Enfield, did not appear at Enfield the other day.

She was remanded another fourteen days, charged with the murder of Thomas Bernard Mills, 33, chemist's assistant, of Bantstead-gardens, Edmonton, and with attempted suicide.

I have just returned from a two-day visit to the front in the Smolensk direction, where I spoke with many military men. All of them, from private to general, were full of stubborn determination. One captain said: "Hitler has got as far as '30.' He will get as far as '300,' but no farther."

The modern German offensive tactics now being used are based on an exact plan thought out with true German care and elaborateness. The battle array is as follows: Motor cyclists move in advance, followed by tanks and then infantry; aircraft and tanks are massed for action.

In Poland, France, Yugoslavia and Greece these tactics brought lightning and stupefying successes. The plan drawn up by the General Staff was fulfilled with exactness. All wheels and cogs of the war machine worked perfectly. They needed only oil.

Unforeseen Factors

But on the fields of Russia the Germans found that in war there are thousands of factors that no general staff can foresee. It appears that the Russian population, instead of turning into slaves working for the conquerors, abandon their homes, carrying off the harvests and the cattle. What they cannot carry away they destroy.

It appears that all men able to bear arms leave for the forests and become guerrilla fighters. All women and youths able to hold a shovel dig defence ditches stretching for hundreds and thousands of miles. A German aviator war prisoner told me: "I was terrified when I saw from the air these masses of working people."

Finally — and this is most important — it appears that in the process of war the Red Army discovered the right defence tactics and perfected them.

The chief task of the defence is to cut off the German infantry from its tanks and force it to accept the fight. Infantry is the weak spot in the German Army. It is accustomed to move behind great masses of tanks. When the Red Army manages to isolate German infantry the infantry's losses are enormous.

The Red Army launches tank counter-attacks. The effect of all this is that not all the wheels and cogs of the thoroughly built German war machine are working as they should. The machine is operating less and less smoothly every day.

This machine is so complicated that only an ideal interaction of all parts can guarantee continuous running. But the interaction is breaking down. Some of the parts are already spoiled and the

RECRUITING OF QUISLINGS FAILS

The Quisling party in Norway is not even claimed by the Nazis to exceed 40,000, out of a population of nearly 3,000,000, according to Curt Falkenstam, writing in the Stockholm "Tidningen." He has just returned from Norway.

The exact figure is not being published, according to one German official, because it would make such poor propaganda.

Control of the Press is shown by the fact that several Oslo newspapers were fined because they did not insert, on the day of receipt, a notice circulated by the official Norwegian Telegraph Bureau. People read the newspapers "inversely," attaching most importance to small paragraphs and least importance to big headlines.

Again, the present official Norwegian radio would certainly be gratified if it had as many listeners in Norway as London has.

Falkenstam mentions hearing a London broadcast in a police station.

Opposition Songs

After the recent suppressions there are still four or five illegal opposition newspapers. The chief weapons of the opposition are apparently innocent popular songs and theatre dialogue. Intellectual business and sporting circles are strongly anti-Quisling.

"Quislingers" acknowledge that business men are their greatest difficulty, while there is not the slightest sign that sportsmen are collaborating with the new official "Athletic Association."

A circular from the Home Office addressed to 10,000 officials of Oslo and other municipalities requiring a statement of loyalty received only 300 signatures.

One of Norway's leading men said to Falkenstam: "Tell the people of Sweden that we would sell everything we possess in exchange for freedom."

MADE NIGHT TREK TO AVOID LIONS

"The Italians contributed to their downfall in Abyssinia by building roads which the British forces found useful," says Mrs. Edith D'Harty, of Priory Close, Worthing, who 15 years ago crossed the Fantall Desert, one of the main approaches to Addis Ababa according to the "Evening Standard" correspondent.

Mrs. D'Harty's husband was responsible for the building of the British Legation at Addis Ababa.

"The Fantall Desert," said Mrs. D'Harty, "is treacherous. I crossed it with natives. To avoid lions and leopards we found it best to trek by light, making as much noise as possible and showing lights."

Mrs. D'Harty ran a hospital for sick natives at Addis Ababa. When she left she was presented with a rhinoceros hide shield.

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In the course of the evening toasts to His Majesty the King, to the Republic of China, and to the D.A.R.P., were honoured, and a presentation, on behalf of the Despatch Corps, was made to Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins by Mr. C. G. Sollis, Director of Education.

Among the guests were Messrs. B. H. Puckle, Major C. Champkin, C. E. Terry, Mr. L. Bevan, R. Dorrer, G. A. Pentreath, D. A. Pockson, A. W. Ingram, W. G. Schnabel and A. E. Gerondal.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Gerondal, a film of the recent activities of the Hong Kong Corps of Air Raid Wardens and the Boy Scouts Association was screened after dinner.

Mr. Shin said:—

"The occasion of our meeting here to-night is both a sad and a happy one—sad, because we are met to say farewell to an old friend; happy, because he is going away to take up a more important position which will give wider and fuller scope to his abilities and talents.

"It is hardly necessary for me to enumerate the wonderful achievements he has made during his short term of office in this Colony, but there are two points which I should like to single out for mention in his relation with the Despatch Corps.

"Firstly, it may interest you to know that the Despatch Corps has a history almost as old as the A.R.P. organisation itself. The Corps was the first-born child of the local A.R.P. organisation. It was inaugurated only months after the A.R.P. Department was founded. The Corps is backed up not merely by a few individuals like other A.R.P. branches, but by the whole of the local Boy Scouts Association, which has more than a thousand members.

Strong Conviction

"That our Honourable Guest this evening has a great attachment to the Chinese people is a well-known fact and he is of the strong conviction that when given the opportunity the Chinese will do a job just as well as any other people: this is shown by the fact that from the Head Communications Warden downwards, all the 31 officers of the Despatch Corps are Chinese. For this and other reasons, our officers realise the great responsibilities we have on our shoulders, and we wish to reassure the D.A.R.P. that we will do our best to keep the Corps in such a state of efficiency that he will not have any cause for regret in having made those appointments.

"We are now fighting in the same war, and I strongly believe that with the proverbial tenacity of the English and the patience of the Chinese, we would emerge with colours flying.

"In conclusion, I wish to ask all of you to drink a toast to our dear friend, wishing him all the luck in his new land of adventures."

Presentation

After making the presentation, Mr. Sollis said that without telephonic and other means of communication in times of war, A.R.P. activity had to resolve itself to the human element, and in this connection the Boy Scouts Association and others who had found time to undergo the necessary training were very proud to have assisted in its formation.

Maintenance of communications was one of the essential points in A.R.P. work and therefore it was most important that interest in the Corps should be maintained so that when the time came the members would be prepared to carry out their tasks.

Expressing appreciation for the handsome present, Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins said he felt he had left the Boy Scouts rather in the lurch because they had not been exercised as much as they should. However, he hoped his successor, now that the main principles of A.R.P. had been reorganised, would develop the Boy Scouts and Messenger Service more than he had done and keep members fully employed in future exercises.

"I take it," Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins continued, "that I have a certain amount of experience in the work I have been trying to do and I must admit that the material one has to work with in Hong Kong is very good indeed. The intelligence, keenness and esprit de corps that have been displayed, especially by the Boy Scouts, has left nothing to be desired, and it would be wrong for me if I do not mention the ready help and assistance

BISMARCK HUNTER BY ACCIDENT

A Civilian was on board H.M.S. King George V—by accident—during the battleship's fight against the Bismarck.

The man, Mr. W. J. Derrick, a Tyneside technician, was in the King George V carrying out electrical repairs when the order came for her to put to sea immediately in pursuit of the Nazi raider.

Mr. Derrick had to stay on board, and was on board all through the fight. During the action he had to stay below.

Mr. Derrick's adventure became known the other day when he met the King and Queen during their seven-hour tour of Tyneside docks, shipyards and harbour.

Royal Congratulations

Their Majesties met him in an arms factory and congratulated him on his thrilling experience.

Four prominent figures in the trade union world—Messrs. Mark Hodgson, national secretary of the Boilermakers' Union; J. Coxon, of the Shipwrights' Union; J. Mitchell and U. Bowman, both of the A.E.U.—were introduced to the King in a shipyard humming with activity.

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No. 57

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Keen detectives ought to spot to-day's crime in no time:

North, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

NORTH
♠ A K J 10
♥ K
♦ A 10 9 8 2
♣ A 10 9

WEST EAST
♠ 7 4 ♠ Q 9 8 3
♥ J 5 2 ♥ 10 9 3
♦ K Q J 7 ♦ 4
♣ 6 3 ♣ 8 7 5 4 2

SOUTH
♠ 6 5 2
♥ A Q 8 7 6 4
♦ 5
♣ K Q J

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♠	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	3♥	Pass
5♣	Pass	6♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		

West opened the King of diamonds, dummy winning with the Ace. The King of hearts was cashed, and a low diamond returned. East ruffed with the nine of hearts, and South over-ruffed with the Queen. Then South laid down the Ace of hearts and gave West his trump trick. Eventually, South took the spade finesse and was set one trick when that finesse lost.

One of the players committed a crime in the hand just described. Try to spot the crime for yourself before you read on.

South was the criminal, for over-ruffing East's nine of hearts. Correct play was to discard the losing spade, allowing East to hold the trick with his trump. South could then regain the lead, draw trumps without further loss and spread his hand for the rest of the tricks.

South cannot be blamed for leading the second round of diamonds, since a 4-3 split of the diamonds would enable him to set up a second diamond trick on which to discard the losing spade. The 6-1 diamond break gave East a chance to make a very neat defensive play, but South should have made an equally neat counter by discarding instead of over-ruffing.

Yesterday you were Merwin

Y.M.C.A. WIN QUADRANGULAR AQUATIC GALA

The quadrangular swimming gala held in the European Y.M.C.A. last night between Y.M.C.A., Royal Scots, Middlesex, and Royal Corps of Signals and Combined Small Units resulted in a win for the home team, who secured 22½ points to the Royals' 18, while Small Units and Middlesex had 15 and 12½ respectively.

50 Yards:—1. E. E. Paul (Y.M.C.A.); 2. Sig. Hunt (Small Units); 3. McHugh (Scots); 4. A. Smith (Middlesex). Time: 20 3/5.

300 Yards Medley Relay:—1. Y.M.C.A. (N. D. Booker, R. Maynard, G. Goldman, E. A. Roberts, W. S. Gegg, D. Hutchinson); 2. Scots; 3. Middlesex; 4. Signals and Combined Small Units were disqualified.

Long Plunge:—1. Lieut. Willoughby (Middlesex); 50ft. 7ins.; 2. L/Cpl. Bevan (Small Units) 40ft. 5ins.; 3. Lieut. Hunter (Scots) 40ft. 2ins.; 4. A. F. May (Y.M.C.A.) 43ft. 2ins.

Diving:—1. L/Cpl. McReady (Scots); 2. Cpl. Dignan (Small Units); 3. N. D. Booker (Y.M.C.A.) and J. Hardy (Middlesex).

300 Yards Relay:—1. Y.M.C.A. (D. Hutchinson, G. Saunders, E. A. Roberts, E. F. Paul, C. Goldman, R. Larsen); 2. Small Units; 3. Scots; 4. Middlesex. Water-Polo:—Whites 4 (E. F. Paul 4) v. Colours 4 (Dignan 2, May, Sutherland).

The longest match in the history of the American national tennis championship was played at Brooklyn, Massachusetts, yesterday when Bryant Grant, small but tenacious Davis Cup player, and Russell Bobbitt, of Atlanta, beat Edwin Amark and Robin Hippin-stiel, of California, after four hours. Scores were 14-12, 15-17, 8-4, 4-8, 13-11. Grant twisted his ankle in the second set.—Reuter

Maier's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ K J 7 3 2
♥ 8 5 2
♦ J 4
♣ 9 7 3

The bidding:

Maier	Jacoby	You	Schenken
1♠	2♣	Pass	Pass
2♦	Pass	(1)	

ANSWER: Bid three spades. A simple preference of two spades could not indicate your spade strength and moderate help for diamonds. The jump cannot deceive your partner since he knows that you could not bid freely over two clubs.

Score 100% for three spades, 50% for two spades.

Question No. 801

To-day you hold the same hand, but the bidding is different:

Maier	Jacoby	You	Schenken
1♠	2♣	Pass	Pass
2♦	2♥	(1)	

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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George Washington and Abraham Lincoln, though, are standing steady and no move has been uncovered yet to get them to safety.

The latest king to be moved is Charles I, whose equestrian statue is one of the finest in the world. At first he was sand-bagged to the tune of £400, but now he's going to be removed.

Streets at several intersections are filled with miniature sandstorms as workmen dump out the sandbags around the statues.

Among other kings being rushed from lofty London perches are William III, George III and James II.

A special safe spot is being allocated to the statues, but where is a secret.

Some quarters say that if and when George Washington is taken down, he'll probably be billeted with George III—the king who ruled during the American Revolution.

Both Washington and Lincoln

are located in open places where they could easily be hit by bombs, yet both have escaped damage.

Lincoln had a narrow miss when a bomb recently hit a church 100 yards away and others fell on a building across the street. There were bomb hits near Washington but none closer than a block away.

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12.30 p.m.-John Cross and The Cathedral Male Voice Quartet and The Band of H.M. Goldstream Guards.

10.00 p.m.-Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 p.m.-Humorous and Vocal Variety.

Vocal-If I Knew Then (Jurgens, Howard).

Tumbling Tumbleweeds (Nolan).

Bing Crosby with J. S. Trotter and His Orchestra.

Comedienne - Cigarettes, Cigars! (Gordon and Ravel).

More Impersonations of Marlene Dietrich, Tallulah Bankhead and Greta Garbo.

Florence Desmond with Orch.

Vocal-Imagination (Burke, Van Heusen).

I Can't Love You Any More (Maidson, Wurball).

Bebe Daniels with Orchestra.

Humorous-The Old School Tie.

Ain't It Gorgeous (Kenneth and George Western).

The Western Brothers.

1.30 p.m.-Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.-Derek Oldham (Tenor) and Symphony Orchestra.

'Coppelia' Variations (Debussy).

Symphony Orchestra cond. by Schmalstieg.

Whisper in Your Dreams (From film 'Melody of my Heart' - Levinge).

Derek Oldham with Orchestra.

Midnight Rose (F. D'Erlanger).

Symphony Orchestra cond. by Barbirolli.

Violin (Wright).

Little Grey Home in The West (Lohr).

Derek Oldham with Piano, Violin and Cello.

Schubert Waltzes (Schubert).

Symphony Orchestra cond. by Walter Goehr.

2.15 p.m.-Close Down.

6.00 p.m.-Indian Programme.

6.45 p.m.-Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 p.m.-Sibelius-Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 43.

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7.30 p.m.-Portuguese Programme.

8.00 p.m.-London Relay-The News.

8.15 p.m.-London Relay-War Commentary.

8.25 p.m.-London Relay - 'Listening Post'.

Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 p.m.-Programme Summary.

8.32 p.m.-Studio-Plane Recital, by Harry Ore.

1. Symphonic Studies (Schumann).

2. Legend-'St. Francis Paulus Marching On The Waves (Liszt).

3. (a) At Evening (Ludw. Schutte).

(b) By The Cradle (Ed. Grieg).

(c) Etude in C (Cyril Scott).

9.00 p.m.-Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 p.m.-An Hour of Variety Requests.

Vocal-Perhaps (from film 'Nice Girl' - Franchetti)....Deanna Durbin with Orchestra.

Vocal-Trees (Kilmer-Rasbach).... Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orch.

Waltz-Roses From The South (Strauss)....Maack Weber & his Orchestra.

Vocal-Too Romantic (from film 'The Road to Singapore').... Dorothy Lamour with Orchestra.

Vocal-Mexicali Rose (Heles Stone-Jack Tenney)....Bing Crosby with Orchestra.

Vocal-Gems-Snow White & The Seven Dwarfs-Selection Jay Wilbur & his Orchestra.

Vocal-I'm Nobody's Baby (Davis, Ager, Santley).... Anne Shelton with Instrumental accomp.

Humorous-Golf.... Clapham and Dwyer (The Radio Favourites).

Vocal-Two Dreams Met (from film 'Down Argentine Way').... Kenny Baker with Orchestra.

Vocal-America, I Love You (Edgar Leslie-Archie Gutter).... Barry Wood (Baritone) with Orchestra.

9.45-10.00 p.m.-News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.46 p.m.-Variety Requests (Continued).

Vocal-Down By The O-Hio (Olman, Yellen)....The Andrews Sisters with Orchestra.

Orchestra-Girl Of The Golden West Selection....Anton & The Paramount Theatre Orchestra.

Vocal-Old Folks At Home (from film 'Nice Girl' - S. Foster)....Deanna Durbin with Orchestra.

10.00 p.m.-London Relay-The News and News Commentary.

10.15 p.m.-Request Dance Music.

Quick-Step-The Ferry Boat Serenade.

The New Mayfair Dance Orch.

Fox-Trot-Keep An Eye On Your Heart....Joe Reichman & his Orch.

Samba-I, Yi, Yi, Yi, Yi....Leo Reisman & his Orchestra.

Fox-Trot-South Of Pago-Pago (from the film)....Ray Kinney & his Hawaiian Musical Ambassadors.

Fox-Trot-Only Forever (from film 'Rhythm on the River').... Billy Cotton & his Band.

Tango-They Met In Rio; Rumba-Chile's Chica Boom Chic (both from film 'They Met In Rio').... Leo Reisman & his Orchestra.

Fox-Trot-Chatterbox (from film 'That's Right, I'm Wrong').... Ambrose & his Orchestra.

Fox-Trot-The Gaucho Serenade.... Roy Smeck & his Hawaiian Serenaders.

Fox-Trot-I Love A Lassic....Music in the Rhythmic Manner.

Fox-Trot-You 'Lucky People You' (from film 'Road To Zanzibar').... Tommy Dorsey & his Orch.

Slow Fox-Trot-I'll Never Smile Again Victor Silvester & his Ballroom Orchestra.

Swing-Fox-Trot-Star Dust....Coleman Hawkins.

Fox-Trot-Lights Out....Little Jack Little & his Orchestra.

11.00 p.m.-London-'Makers of History' A Talk by Desmond MacCarthy on the 'Duke of Wellington'.

11.15 p.m.-Close down.

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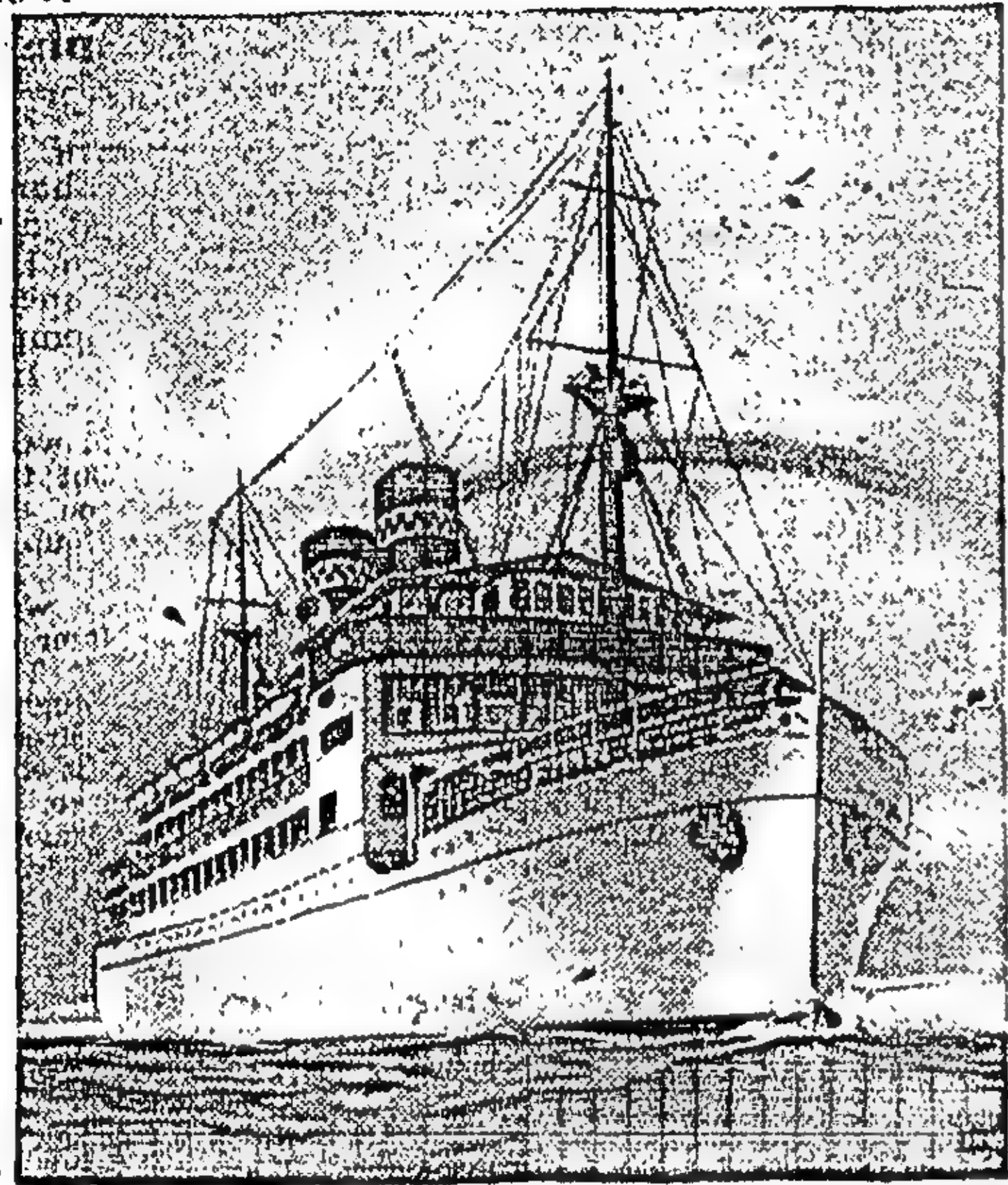
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The first time that Jean tried to make the 24-ft. crossing the wire began to sway, and Jean shot down into the river.

But now no slack-wire walker has anything on Jean. She wears trousers instead of skirts. Every day Jean returned home with her stockings torn. So she asked for trousers.

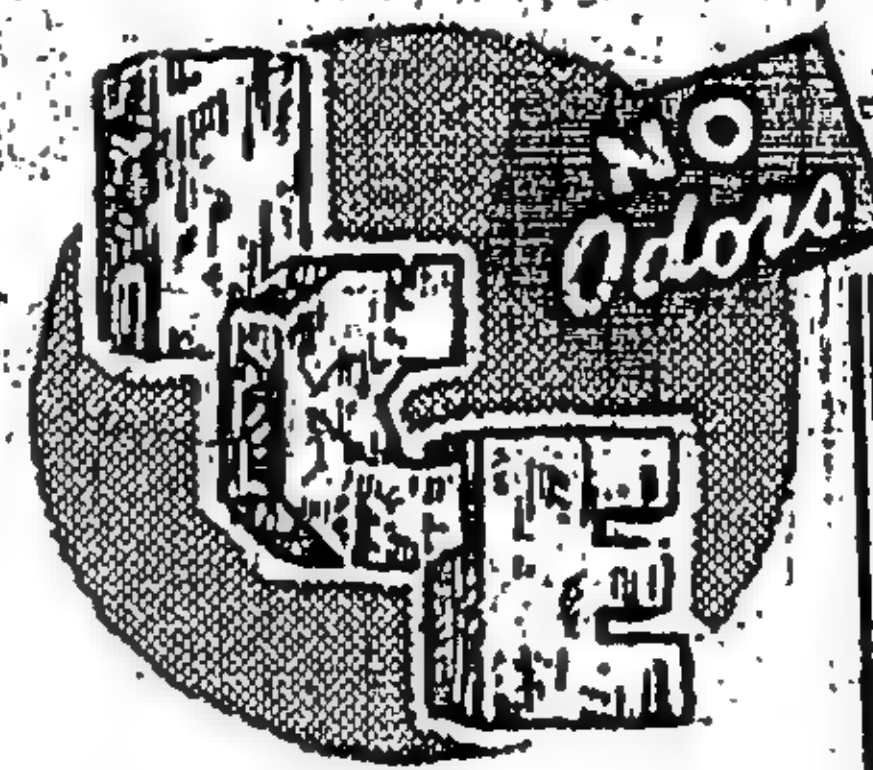
Since then 499 more pairs have been issued to other postwomen. The authorities have dubbed the garments "Cameron" as a tribute to Jean.

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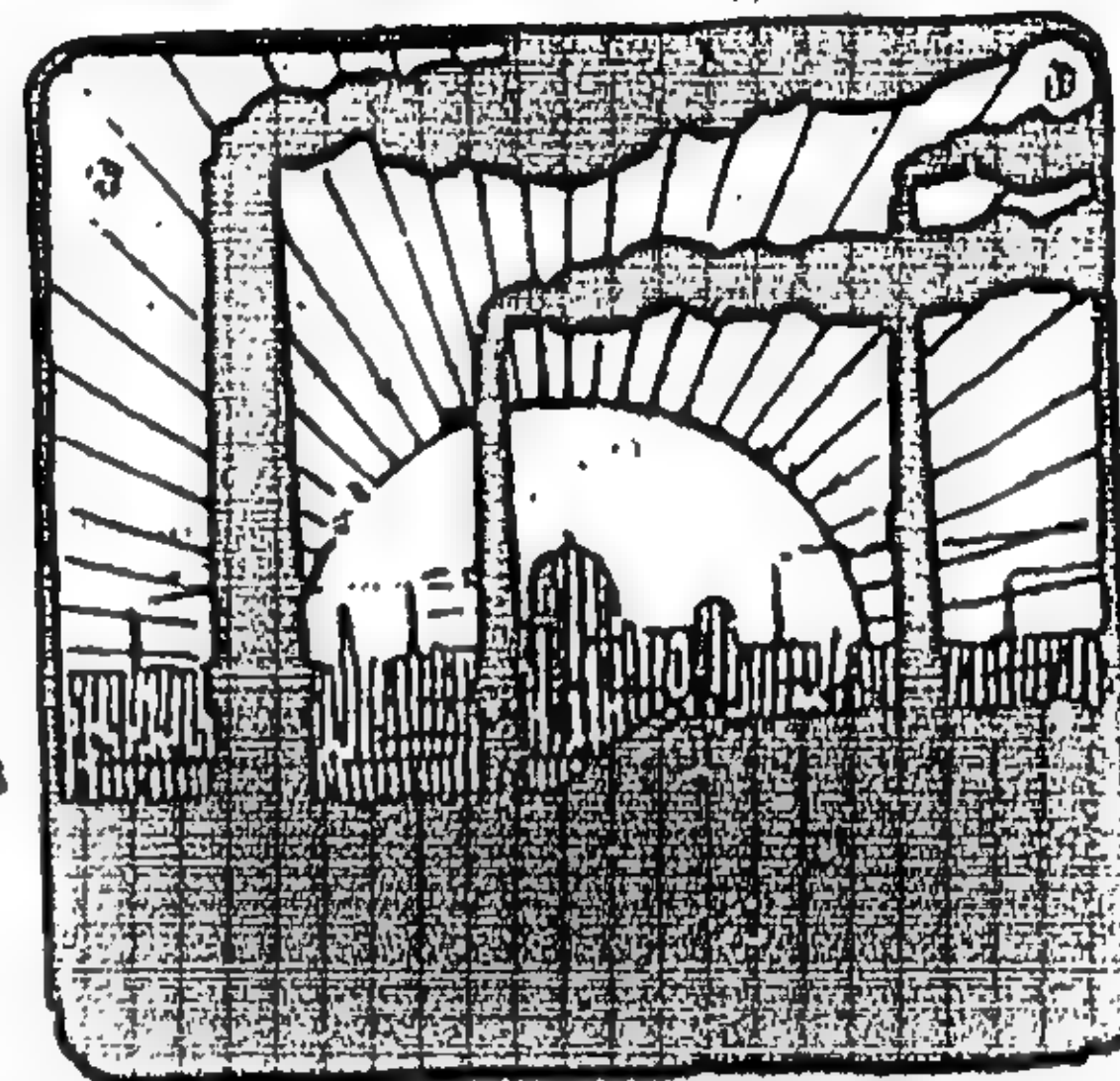
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ROSSELET TOUCHES HIS BEST FORM TO SECURE BIGGEST WIN

By "Skip"

TAIKOO CLUB CAUSED ONE OF THE BIG UPSETS OF THE SEASON WHEN THEY HAD AN ALL-CLEAR VICTORY OVER KOWLOON TONG IN SECOND DIVISION OF THE LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE LAST SATURDAY. THIS RESULT GAVE KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB THE CHANCE, WHICH THEY GRABBED WITH FOUR FINGERS, TO CONSOLIDATE THEIR POSITION AT THE HEAD OF AFFAIRS, WHERE THEY NOW HAVE A FIVE-POINT LEAD.

In First Division the three leading teams won and Craigengower's clear win over Kowloon Bowling Green Club "B" makes them still surer—if that were necessary—of the championship, in which Club de Recreio must inevitably be the runners-up. Civil Servants unexpectedly beat Kowloon Dock at Hung Hom to leave Kowloon Bowling Green Club "B" firmly ensconced at the bottom of the League, whilst Indians were at last beaten at Sookunpoo, where they prove so deadly.

In Third Division Police continue to challenge strongly, but the promotion question here will not be settled until the postponed games, of which they have a surplus, are played off after the end of the official programme. Like their premier team, they had a five-point victory, whilst the Electricians had a useful win over Kowloon Football Club, the youthful "Dan" Gardner inflicting a heavy defeat on "Bob" Ogden, present leader in the skip's table.

CHARLIE Rosselet's rink had the biggest win of the day, when they beat Joe Meyer's four by nearly a couple of dozen shots. Only John Gill of the home four showed good form, especially so in the latter part of the game, and his play enabled the home-ers to hold their own over the last 10 ends.

"Donja" Razack was outbowling Herbie Bicknell, who was right off, whilst "Wardie" though he fell off, could do nothing wrong when the visitors were running into their lead of 25-2. Joe Landolt was better than Gill up to this stage, whilst Charlie Rosselet played an inspired game.

A singleton followed by a count of 6, in which Landolt sprung the jack to his own woods, gave Rosselet's rink a flying start and they shortly followed up with a couple of fives and a two, then two 3s. Meyer was poor most of the time.

It was this big margin which must have eased the minds of the other two visiting skips, who were by no means having things their own way for half the game. Omar being down quite a bit at that stage and Bradbury only just up.

Len Sykes' four held Omar's very well all through, only the brilliance and added experience of the visitor saving the game—all square at the eighteenth the visiting rink chalked up one on each of the remaining ends.

"Bud" Rogers played a really good game for Sykes, and it is no exaggeration to say that he beat E. S. Franks, deputising for "K. M.", who went three in the absence of Dick Bosa, and was quite useful, but "K. M." was hardly aggressive enough against Percy Peckham. Sykes drew as well as U. M. Omar for the most part.

Securing a nap hand when in the lead by only a singleton, Bradbury never looked back against Lockhart and eventually won by 11 shots. His lead, Joe Leonard, was good, he and Souza having the better of their opponents mostly.

Bower Does Well In "A" Team Debut

IN the other game at Austin Road, the home team won quite comfortably, although Tommy Madar did very well to beat Bob Duncan to save a point. Major Parsons was good as two to Madar, who was probably the best man on view. Jock McKelvie drew some nice shots but, like Duncan, he was not consistent. R. P. Phillips played well to hold Berlie Guest as lead.

Al Hall had the better of Norman Bebbington's rink, although it was not the latter's fault that he lost, for he was once again in good form. Hall had a new three in "Busty" Bower, who did very well on his first appearance in this team, but it was Harry

SHANGHAI BOWLS

Lusitano Reds are at the top of the Shanghai Lawn Bowls League and have virtually won the championship for the season, having obtained 22 points out of a possible 25. Their nearest rivals are Shanghai Recreation Club, who scored 14½ points out of a possible 25. In Second Division Shanghai Lawn Bowls Club lead with 23 points out of 25, with Hongkew Golf Club a close second (20 points out of 25.)



B. W. Bradbury, No. 3 to U. M. Omar, about to send down a wood in last Sunday's game, when Omar's rink (A. M. and K. M. Omar were the other two members) beat R. Bosa, A. J. Coates, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Rosselet 22-13 in the Colony Lawn Bowls Rink Championship. Rosselet's four, the holders, found they were playing against U. M. Omar at his best and could not cope with him. In the above picture, from left to right, are Bradbury, Landolt (towel in hand), Coates, (with hat) K. M. Omar, A. M. Omar (with glasses) and R. Bosa.

BAD START CAUSE OF K. TONG COLLAPSE

By "Skip"

Kowloon Tong surprised all the critics by their collapse, for such it was, at Taikoo, only Jimmy Kew making anything of a fight of it. The home team literally jumped into a lead, for they were a dozen to the good after 5 heads, and the suburbanites did not seem able to rally at all.

Jim Watson, opposed to Spud Spary, had the biggest win and, I hear, the whole rink played consistently to achieve this result. Stephens scored singles at the last five ends against the all-Scottish rink skipped by Willie Melrose, who won by half a dozen, but Jimmy Chalmers needed a brace to tie at the 20th before he ran out with a four on the last head.

McKay and Scott put in some useful woods for the visiting skip.

Curious Incident At Sookunpoo

CLUB de Recreio "A" achieved what no other club had hitherto done—they beat the Indians at Sookunpoo, despite the fact that their line-up was considerably altered. But the home team were considerably weakened by the presence of at least two, if not more reserves.

M. R. Abbas, for the first time this season, did not draw what I heard called the crazy rink—nothing disparaging to the Club is meant. Minu had it this time and he mastered it well, though he had not nearly enough support from his front men.

There was a peculiar incident on the last head but one. The jack had been sprung towards the road side tape and Minu had to draw to it. He did so but his wood went into the SIDE ditch. His third man, then told him, with his next wood, to take his green from the other side of the lake—a sort of minus quantity of green!

Chico Ribeiro never had much to worry about against Abbas and, leading all the way, he eventually "not home" by well over a dozen, but Dick Alves, in spite of good play by Jackie Neenan, lost his 100 per cent. record. Khan was the strong man on Dallah's side, though he was slow to start.

NO SWEEP THIS WEEK

There is no draw this week in the Lawn Bowls sweep. It will be made next week.

Nimmo put two perfect woods down on this head, no one else altering the lay until Hilton landed a couple of counting-stoppers, one on each hand. Kew tried hard to squeeze inside but missed twice very narrowly.

10 Shots At Last Couple Of Heads

PRISON officers may think themselves unlucky to lose all five points to Hong Kong Football Club as a result of being only eight shots down, but it is only fair to the home team to mention that the visitors gained 10 in the last couple of heads.

Kenneth Robertson always had a lead on Bill Bagley, though he got in by only 3 shots. His lead, R. P. Shaw, has not yet found his erstwhile form, but he put in some useful ones, as did his stable companion C. B. Robertson.

McCutcheon took a lead of 8-3 against Willie Macfarlane, but the latter's men then rallied round well to turn the tables, 16 shots in 5 heads doing the trick, though McCutcheon chalked up a 4 and then a 3 on the last couple of ends.

Walter Gill's score card against Gowland tells almost the same story—3-11 down then 23-12 with a 7 shot rally to Gowland at the finish.

Brown And Davies In Great Form

KOWLOON Football Club beat Hong Kong Cricket Club by a wide margin, yet Bill Field lost his unbeaten record by a single shot to A. W. Brown, who played an excellent game throughout and was, together with Dai Davies, mainly responsible for the point. The latter held Ben Evans, opposing lead, quite comfortably, but any advantage he gained was negated by Arthur Dand, Field's second man.

Percy Younghusband was again in good form against Frank Goodwin, and always had the lead. Tony Laosley had the better of George Atkinson, though the latter played well enough, but Tom Rowell made up some of the leeway for Goodwin, who was the best of his four.

Ernie Kern's four were all over George Costello's rink right from the start—the chief credit for which must be given to Walter Naei, who came right back on to his game of last year. Actually Costello did catch up at one time, but he never scored afterwards, being stuck on Number 11 for no less than 10 ends. Very disheartening.

Successive Fives

CRAIGENGOWER secured five points from Club de Recreio and were never in any difficulties, highlight being two fives in succession to Tommy Lock against "Spotty" Pereira, who in spite of these lost, but narrowly.

W. S. Glendinning, former Police bowler and now in retirement in Australia, is playing bowls regularly at Burwood Club, Sydney, which has 10 rinks.

WALLIS SAVES K.B.G.C.

By "Skip"

Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Third Division leaders, were hard put to it to beat Hong Kong Cricket Club at Chater Road, only Wallis winning to carry the day.

His rink had a merry time at the expense of Edgar Abraham, who could not get going at all. Tug Wilson was in fine form for Wallis, as was Johnny Dineen, his second man, but Ted Thompson was shaky, which left his skip plenty to do. He did it. Alec McKellar and Len Jordan were evenly matched all the way, but the home skip just scraped home on the last two ends, when he chalked up 3 shots.

"Sammy" Shields was leading well for Cassidy, and was able to better J. A. Fraser, who is very sound. The home skip was useful, as was Hughie Nish, of whose third man I have directly opposite reports. In any case it was not Ted Searle, his regular three, in spite of what the signed card says—it was Joe Henson. Oh, these twos and their idea of keeping cards!

Gaddi Fails To Impress As Skip

THERE must have been great fun in the Police Club on Saturday when the news of their double win was received. Joe Carey, who is forming a collection of sixes, absolutely swamped Dr. Karanjia, who had poor support from his right hand man, I believe. He was up against a good man in Channing though.

Gaddi, who finds it difficult on account of his duties to play away from the Valley, tried his hand at skipping in this division, but he was up against too wily an exponent in Aitken to impress—he lacks experience of a skip's play.

Alec Soutar and Macdonald were the best of their side against Herbert Randall, who was not up to his best though he got a good "do or die" drive at the last end to secure a three. George Ladd was his best man.

Yvanovich Has Belated Win

PIETO Yvanovich must have had a rest at Fanling as, after a thin time, he came back to winning form and re-established himself almost to "D" class! He was up against U. A. Rumbahn, whose play rather impressed me when I saw him, but he had some promising front men in E. Cunha and Gus Guterres. Mike Mendonca also won, "S. M." being his victim, but A. O. Madar got the better of M. F. Flinn after leading comfortably all the game.

Gardner's Rink

Should Be Kept Intact

ADMITTEDLY, Kowloon Football Club's team is not very strong, but I was surprised to see them go down so badly to the Electricians—but not as amazed as I was at Gardner's huge win over Ogden. I cannot think what came over the latter, unless it was the hazard of having A. N. Other playing for him. I hope the latter is a member of an affiliated club anywhere! Dan Gardner is full of confidence and enthusiasm, so it is hoped this happy rink can stay together till the end of the season.

Jim Lunny had a close struggle with Claude Woodcock before last emerging the winner, but Chris Downman saved a point at the expense of Sloan, of whom I wrote so favourably last week.

L. A. Collyer, Civil Service bowler, is back from a leave spent in Australia.



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REARRANGED FIXTURES

Unless they are previously played, postponed Lawn Bowls League fixtures have been rearranged as follows:

September 13

First Division: Police v. Craigengower; K.B.G.C. "A" v. C.S.C.C.; K.B.G.C. "B" v. Indian R.C.; K. Docka v. Recreio "B".

Second Division: Prison O.C. v. Hong Kong C.C.; Taikoo v. Kowloon C.C.; Craigengower v. Kowloon F.C.; Third Division: Hong Kong C.C. v. Police; Kowloon F.C. v. Electric; Indian R.C. v. Recreio.

September 20

First Division: Indian R.C. v. K. Docka; Craigengower v. K.B.G.C. "B"; Police v. Recreio "B"; Recreio "A" v. C.S.C.C.

Second Division: Recreio v. Craigengower; Hong Kong C.C. v. Kowloon F.C.; K. Tong v. Taikoo; Third Division: Craigengower v. Police; Hong Kong C.C. v. Kowloon F.C.; Electric v. Indian R.C.

September 27

First Division: Recreio "A" v. Indian R.C.; C.S.C.C. v. Kowloon Docka; K.B.G.C. "B" v. Kowloon C.C.; K.B.G.C. "A" v. Police.

Second Division: Kowloon C.C. v. Recreio; Craigengower v. Hong Kong C.C.; Kowloon F.C. v. K. Tong; Taikoo v. Prison O.C.

Third Division: Police v. K.B.G.C.

October 4

First Division: Indian R.C. v. Craigengower; Kowloon C.C. v. Recreio "B".

Second Division: Prison O.C. v. Recreio; K. Tong v. Hong Kong C.C.; Craigengower v. Taikoo; Third Division: Kowloon F.C. v. Police.

October 11

Second Division: Taikoo v. Recreio. By mutual arrangement, any of the above fixtures may be played off before the dates fixed—on Sundays or holidays.

Other Bowls On

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BASA RETURNS TO CRAIGENGOWER TEAM FOR TO-MORROW'S GAME

WITH THE RETURN OF BASA TO THE TEAM, CRAIGENGOWER CRICKET CLUB ARE MAKING TWO CHANGES IN THEIR FIRST DIVISION LAWN BOWLS TEAM THIS WEEK-END.

Bradbury's rink, and also that of Rosselet, will be the same as last week, but in Omar's four Basa returns to his usual position of No. 3, so that K. M. Omar, who filled the breach last week, will go back to his normal No. 2 position. Franks, who played in that berth last week, returns to the Third Division team.

In the Second Division Gaddi will take over Coelho's place as one of the skips, with Xavier, Roza and Lammert as his front men. Last week Coelho had the same men in the first two positions, but Baptista was No. 3.

Baptista will be No. 2 to Way, whose rink is otherwise unchanged. Modt, who played in this position last week, returns to the Third Division. In Ladd's four Ladd will take over Zammern's place at No. 3.

Franks will skip the rink in Third Division that was led by Randall last week. The latter goes up to No. 3, to fill the place that was then taken by the promoted Ladd. Karanjia will have Broadbridge and Alves as Nos. 1 and 2 respectively instead of Delgado and Pau, while the third rink will comprise Todd, Lee, Modt and Medina as against J. K. Pavri, Alves, Lammert and Gaddi last week.

K. Tong Unchanged

KOWLOON Tong are making no changes in their team for to-morrow's Second Division League bowls match against Kowloon Football Club, all of last week's players being on view again.

C.S.C.C. Reshuffle

CIVIL Service Cricket Club are making a few changes against Club de Recreio "A". Rakusen's four is left intact, but the other two rinks are as follows, as compared with those of last week, given in brackets Gellatly, Deakin, Simmonds, McGowan (Gellatly, Deakin, McGowan and Burling) and Crawley, Colledge, Purvis and Hillyer (Harper, Colledge, Hillyer and Simmonds).

No Taikoo Change

TAIKOO are not making any changes in their team this week, all those who took part in their clean sweep win

over Kowloon Tong last Saturday, being available again to-morrow.

Following are the selected teams:

CRAIGENGOWER

First Division (v Indian Recreation Club, home):—J. W. Leonard, L. C. R. Souza, A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury (skip); A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, R. Basa and U. M. Omar (skip); A. A. Razack, W. Ward, J. S. Lamplait and C. S. Rosselet (skip).

Second Division (v Hong Kong Cricket Club, away):—S. R. Sollina, W. J. Curd, G. S. Ladd and T. Lock (skip); Li Shu-wing, M. A. Baptista, D. A. Rozario and W. K. Way (skip); J. H. Xavier, L. M. Roza, L. E. Lammert and L. Gaddi (skip).

Third Division (v Hong Kong Football Club, home):—W. F. Broadbridge, A. E. S. Alves, Dr. C. W. Lam and Dr. N. P. Karanjia (skip); E. J. Todd, F. Lee, F. K. Modt and M. J. Medina (skip); R. K. Pavri, S. Leonard, H. W. Randall and E. S. Franks (skip).

KOWLOON TONG

Second Division (v Kowloon Football Club, home):—H. A. Castro, A. Madar, J. Smith and A. J. Kew (skip); N. A. E. Mackay, Y. H. Tang, J. N. Wong and J. L. Stephens (skip); H. Gillies, M. S. Phoon, A. E. Castro and A. Spary (skip). Reserve: J. Tang.

CIVIL SERVICE

First Division (v Club de Recreio "A", home):—J. Gellatly, J. W. Deakin, E. W. C. Simmonds and J. F. McGowan (skip); H. McKay, M. Scott, V. S. Ebbage and M. N. Rakusen (skip); P. D. Crawley, W. H. E. Colledge, M. E. Purvis and W. R. Hillyer (skip).

TAIKOO

Second Division (v Prison Officers, away):—J. Nimmo, F. Thomson, F. Hillon and J. C. Chalmers (skip); L. A. Gibson, D. Coull, C. Boyard and J. A. Watson (skip); W. G. McKie, W. Cunningham, R. Main and W. McElrose (skip). Reserves: A. MacArthur, S. J. Pollock.

The world record for the 4-miles R-race held by Indiana University 17 minutes, 16-1/5 seconds, at Philadelphia in 1937 was beaten on August 15 at the Olympic stadium, Stockholm, when the Idrotts-Forerenn team covered the distance in 17 minutes 2-4/5 seconds. Reuter.

MARSHALL'S BID FOR TRIPLE CROWN

News from the Shanghai bowls world is to the effect that Alce Marshall, who is still figuring in the three competitions, singles, pairs and rinks which have already reached the 4th Round stage, has a very good chance of carrying off the triple crown, a feat which has only been accomplished by R. C. Aikhead.

In this connection, the "China Press" says: "A long shot that he will duplicate the feat is a good wager and his supporters are equally confident of him coming through. However, the next round will tell the story."

ROSARIO AND LANDOLT WIN 20-17

Three games in the Fourth Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs Championship were scheduled to be decided yesterday, but only one was played, the other two being postponed.

At Civil Service Cricket Club, D. A. Rosario and J. S. Landolt beat A. E. P. Guest and T. A. Madar by 3 shots.

The winners started off in great style, scoring 1 0 4 1 0 0 2 1 4 before being blanked for three ends to lead 13-8 at the 12th. They increased this to 16-8 at the 14th, but 2 0 4 by Madar took the score to 17-14 at the 17th, Landolt scoring 1 2 before conceding like number to finish up 20-17.

Detailed scores were: Landolt 1 0 4 1 0 0 2 1 0 1 0 1 2 0 0—20 Madar 0 2 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 2 1 0 0 2 0 4 0 1 2—17

Promoter Mike Jacobs has revealed that Joe Louis will join the United States Army if he loses his world's heavyweight title to Lou Nova in their return bout on September 18.

C.B.A. LOSE 9-0 BUT IT WAS TENNIS OF A REFRESHING NATURE

By "Incog"

DURING THE PAST TEN DAYS OR SO I HAVE WATCHED TWO "NEEDLE" LEAGUE TENNIS MATCHES, AND THOUGH BOTH OF THESE EVENTUALLY TURNED OUT TO BE ONE-SIDED AFFAIRS, THE ATMOSPHERE WAS, NEVERTHELESS, QUITE TENSE THROUGHOUT THE NINE SETS PLAYED.

Yesterday, by way of a change, I made the trip to the very pleasant Chinese Recreation Club ground, and as a reward I was treated to some very refreshing, if not first class, tennis. The Chinese were entertaining Central British Association in a Fourth Division League match and won by 9 sets to 0.

The game, however, was extremely enjoyable, and more closely contested, incidentally, than the scores would indicate. It was a pleasant surprise to find Syd Fowler, who had only the day before returned from a spell of leave in Australia, playing League tennis so soon. And if he has not as yet found his land legs, there was nothing to show for it in his tennis.

In Tak-lam, who has just shaken off the effects of a long bout of ill-health, paired up with K. M. Wong, and played accurate tennis in which he was well-supported by his partner, but outstanding for the winners was T. F. Choi.

Over-Hitting

"Bick" Bickford and Norman Whitley might have won a set for their side if they had not sacrificed accuracy for hard-hitting which, unfortunately, all too often found the ball landing in the far beyond.

FOWLER ON AUSTRALIAN HOCKEY

Sydney Fowler, brilliant Club hockey winger, who is just back from a leave in Australia, says that the average hockey team down there is up to our best, while there are several district teams which would be far superior to Hong Kong's best.

While in Sydney, Fowler met Geoffrey Lammert—he is now married and has one child—who introduced him to the Y.M.C.A. hockey officials. He was given a trial, and was soon playing regularly on the wing in the first of their five League elevens, with Geoff in the same team, at full-back. Incidentally, Lammert, who is a lieutenant in the militia, has passed his medical test for the R.A.F.

Fowler scored seven of Y's 12 goals in the first four matches, netting in every game.

It was while watching inter-district hockey at the Metropolitan Carnival—Newcastle were the winners—that he contracted bronchial pneumonia, from the effects of which he has only recently recovered.

He did not see any ladies' hockey, but he understands the Australian standard is below that of Hong Kong.

Smith was steady throughout, but his steadiness was somewhat discounted by the inclination of his partner, Tomashevsky, to have a bang at everything. In fairness, however, I must say that Tomashevsky did bring off a few very good shots, one vicious cross-court drive in the last set being particularly noteworthy.

Scores were:—K. M. Wong and Tu Tak-lam (C.R.C.) beat D. Smith and D. Tomashevsky 6-2 beat S. Fowler and N. Smith 6-3 beat B. Bickford and N. Whitley 6-4 T. F. Choi and C. N. Tsang (C.R.C.) beat Smith and Tomashevsky 6-3 beat Fowler and Smith 6-3 beat Bickford and Whitley 6-3 Chan Yim and Y. W. Chung (C.R.C.) beat Smith and Tomashevsky 6-4 beat Fowler and Smith 6-1 beat Bickford and Whitley 6-1

A Close Finish

At Caroline Hill, Post Office Recreation Club (2) beat Jewish Recreation Club by 5 1/2 sets to 3 1/2.

J. Howlett and W. G. Morrison (P.O.R.C.) beat S. R. Ramler and B. Godkin 6-3 beat A. Pollak and M. Talan 6-3 beat E. Whitcomb and A. Odell 6-2 A. G. MacPherson and Y. S. Fung (P.O.R.C.) beat Ramler and Godkin 6-4 drew with Pollak and Talan 6-6 beat Whitcomb and Odell 6-3 S. K. Chin and C. C. Lam (P.O.R.C.) lost to Ramler and Godkin 0-6 lost to Pollak and Talan 0-6 lost to Whitcomb and Odell 5-7

Table To Date

	Sets	Pts.
S.C.A.A.	10 10 0 0 7 1/2	18 20
C.C.C.	10 9 1 0 7 1/2	17 18
C.R.C.	10 8 2 0 6 1/2	26 16
F.C.	10 7 3 0 5 1/2	23 14
A.T.C.	9 4 4 1 3 1/2	36 9
P.O.R.C. (1)	10 4 6 0 4 1/2	50 8
C.B.A.	8 2 6 0 2 1/2	43 4
P.O.R.C. (2)	9 2 7 0 1 1/2	61 4
J.R.C.	10 1 9 0 2 1/2	60 2
K.I.T.O.	9 0 9 0 7 1/2	73 0

Ranger, Harold S. Vanderbilt's famous yacht, which successfully defended the America's Cup against T. O. M. Sopwith's Endeavour, is now going to help in the defence of America herself. Mr. Vanderbilt has arranged to have the yacht broken up and sold for "recap."

Tod Morgan, who lost the Australia, lightweight boxing championship to Vic Patrick recently, vainly searched Sydney for leeches after his fight. He needed them for his damaged eyes. The veteran of so many contests knew the value of a leech in restoring a damaged eye to normal. He has used them on innumerable occasions, but, try as he did, he could not discover one. The scarcity was due to the dry weather, he was informed.

The most amazing golf exploit known, the playing of a hole 33 miles long, is recalled by the death at Maldstone of Mr. T. H. Oiler, a one-time famous sportsman, at the age of 91. Accepting the wager that he would complete the hole from Linton Park, near Maldstone, to Littlestone Links, near New Romney, under 2,000 strokes, Mr. Oiler won with 213 strokes to spare.



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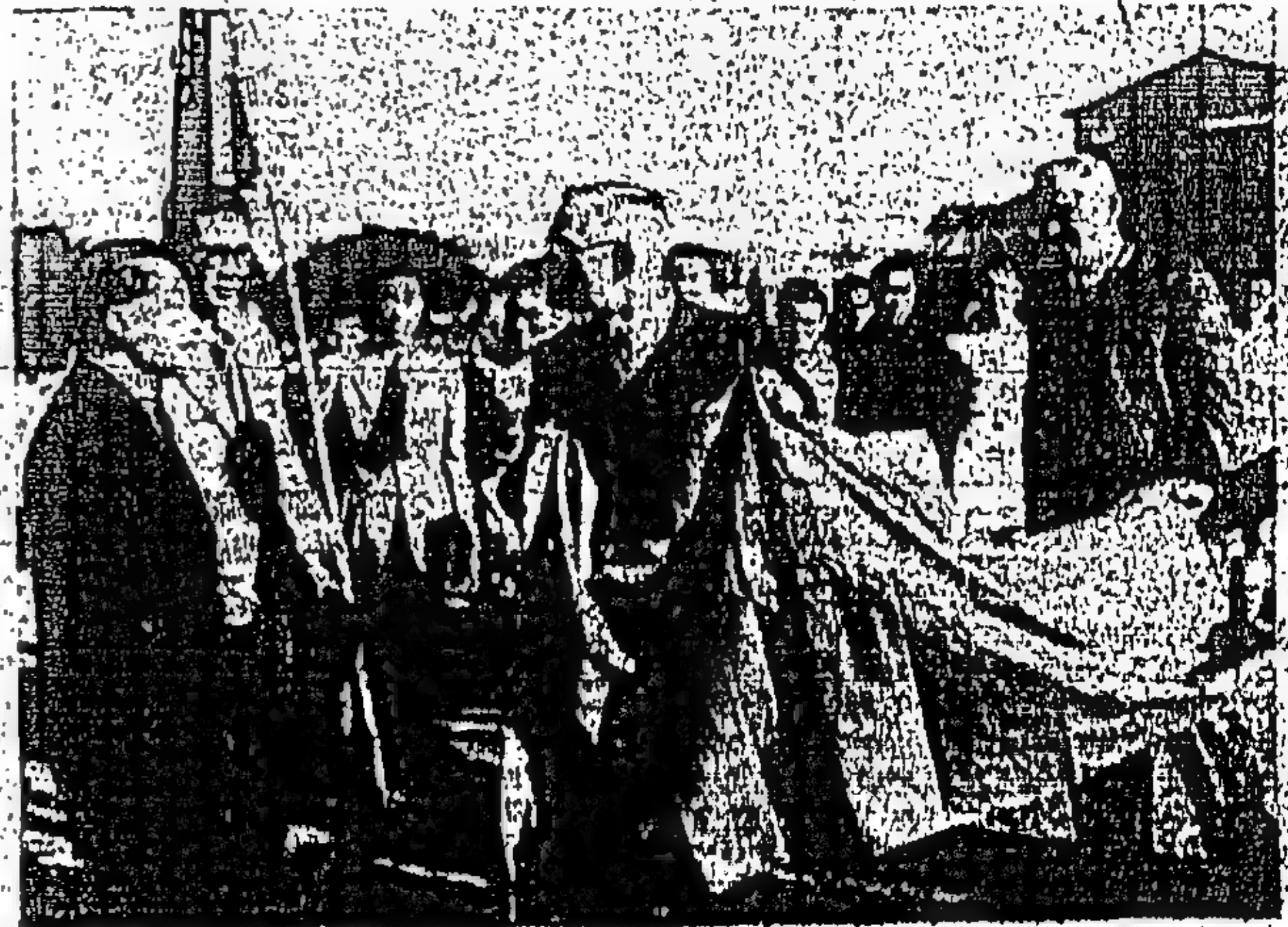
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The flag presentation ceremony before the Final Test at Brisbane. Right to left are Senator Brown and the Premier of Queensland, W. L. L. (assistant secretary) and Chen Foh-yu (manager-secretary) are the others in the picture.

Schools Aquatic Gala Details

"We have done all we can to ensure the success of the meeting. Now it is up to the boys and girls themselves—not the competitors—but those who are not taking an active part in the racing.

"If they come in their multitudes to cheer their school mates on, it will not only add to the keenness of the competition, but will also be a great incentive to the representatives of their own schools. Nothing is more disheartening for a boy or girl to swim for the school and then find that others are not even interested enough to see how he or she is doing."

That is the opinion of no less an authority on local swimming than Lionel Roza-Pereira, former Colony champion swimmer, winner on more than one occasion of the Harbour Race, Colony Interport swimmer and present Colony diving champion, and he expressed it while talking about the Inter-Schools Swimming Gala to be held at Victoria Recreation Club to-morrow, commencing at 5.07 p.m.

Some very keen racing should be seen, especially in the Girls' 50 Yards free-style, in which the French Convent and V.R.C. star, Miss "Jackie" Anderson, will probably be fully extended by Miss Ko Miu-ling, of Bellios Girls' School.

Boys' Title Between St. Stephens & La Salle

Insofar as the boys' events are concerned, they will probably resolve into a struggle for supremacy between St. Stephens' and La Salle, and there should not be any very appreciable difference in the final standings of these two schools.

As an indication of the thoroughness with which Lionel Roza-Pereira and his hard-working committee have gone about their job, there will be a demonstration of swimming by A. K. Rumjahn (back-stroke), Luiz M. Remedios (breast-stroke) and D. Hutchinson (free-style), and in order that the boys and girls may reap the most benefit out of watching these champions in action, there will be a running commentary throughout the demonstration.

There will also be a diving exhibition, by Lionel Roza-Pereira and Ed. da Roza, a former Colony champion, and from all indications a very enjoyable and entertaining afternoon is promised.

Programme And Competitors

The programme and full list of competitors are as follows:

BOYS' JUNIOR—Diving. 3 Running Forward Headers from 1-Metre Board: K. Thomas (St. Stephen's College); C. Guterres (La Salle College); Chan Yen Fwee (St. Stephen's College); Chow Kong Pui (Chung Wah School).

BOYS' SENIOR—100 Yards free-style: J. Gomes (La Salle), Andrew Fung (St. Joseph's), G. Rossetti (Diocesan), William Teo (St. Stephen's), Donald Young (St. Joseph's).

BOYS' JUNIOR—100 Yards free-style: K. Thomas (St. Stephen's), R. Souza (La Salle), Chan Yen Fwee (St. Stephen's), Wong Pen Kin (St. Stephen's), C. Guterres (La Salle).

GIRLS—50 Yards free-style: Miss Ko Miu Ling (Ying Wah Girls' School), Miss J. el Arculli (French Convent School), Miss J. Anderson (French Convent School), Miss C. Guterres (St. Mary's School), Miss Yvonne Yalle (French Convent School).

BOYS' SENIOR—100 Yards breast-stroke: Lee Cheuk Lam (Nam Wah), Kong Yiu Wing (La Salle), Chan Chen Po (St. Joseph's), G. Wong (La Salle), Kwong Chiu Sheung (La Salle).

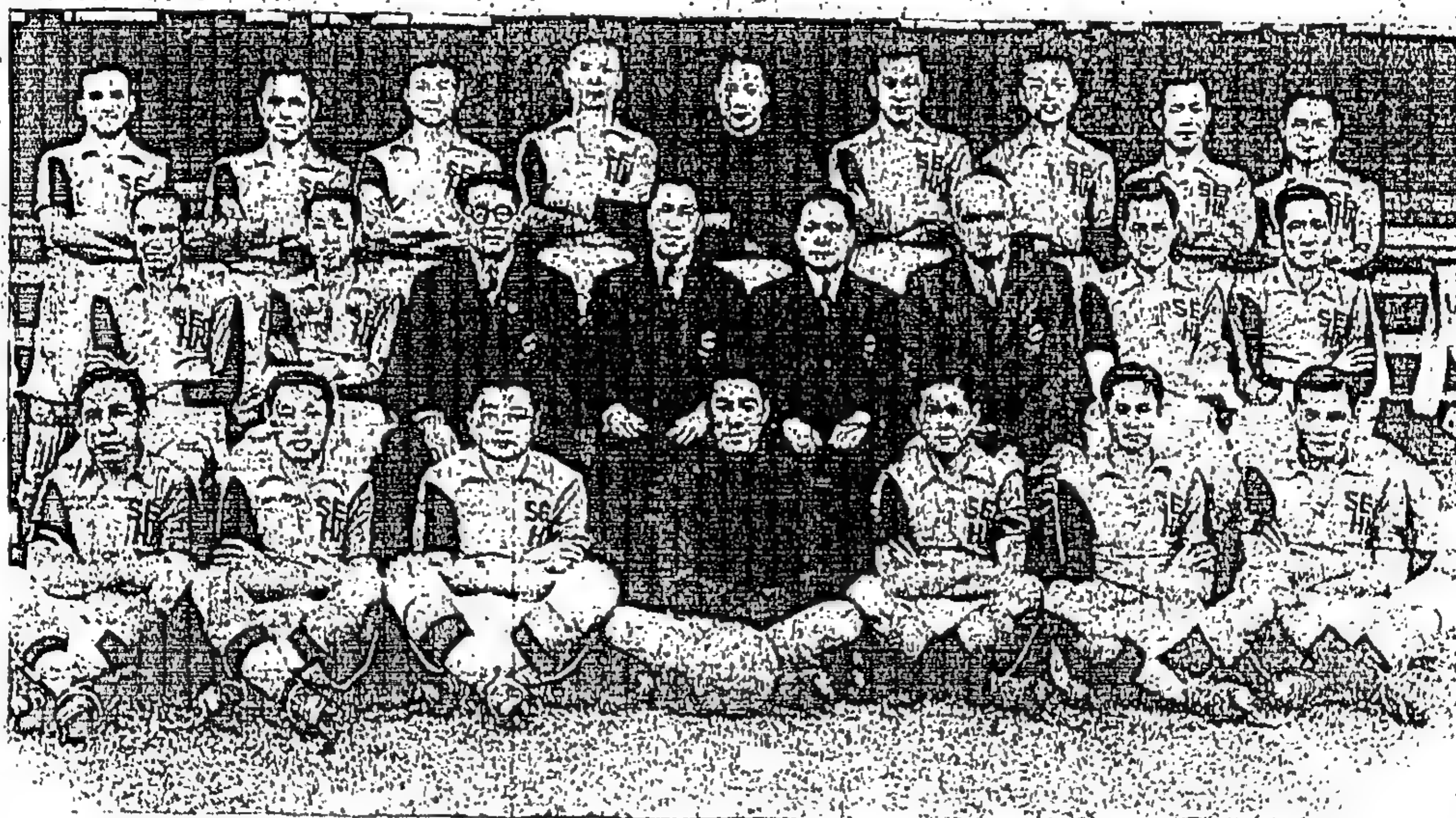
BOYS' JUNIOR—50 Yards breast-stroke: R. Souza (La Salle), Ko Wai Hoong (St. Joseph's), Chow Kong Pui (Chung Wah), W. Ribeiro (La Salle).

GIRLS' 50 Yards breast-stroke: Miss Tsang Fung Kwan (Bellios Public School), Miss C. Monteiro (St. Mary's School), Miss Y. Yalle (French Convent School).

BOYS' SENIOR—100 Yards back-stroke: Ip Ting Yuo (St. Stephen's), A. V. Lopes (La Salle), Boone Slong Loy (St. Stephen's), J. Gomes (La Salle), Andrew Fung (St. Joseph's).

BOYS' JUNIOR—50 Yards back-stroke: C. Guterres (La Salle), Chow Kong Pui (Chung Wah).

GIRLS—50 Yards back-stroke:



Members of the Eastern-Sing Tao soccer team, which returned to the Colony on Wednesday after a very successful Australian tour. Standing (left to right) are Hau Yung-sang, Leung Wing-chiu, C. T. Tsao, Ng Kee-cheong, Cheong Wing-choy, Y. S. Yen, Kui Wing-fook, Soong Ling-sing, and Chang Kam-hoi; Middle row: Lee Ting-sang, V. K. Hyui, Chen Foh-yu (manager-secretary), Peter Woo (Australian representative), Woo Lai-tin (Assistant secretary), T. A. Langridge (trainer), Chui Ah-fai, Fung King-cheong; Sitting: Tam Kwong-sang, Yeung Shui-yick, Lai Shui-wing, Sui Dim-ling, Kwok Ying-kee, Hau Ching-to and Ip Pak-wah.

LEE WAI-TONG ON EASTERN SOCCER TEAM

By "Referee"

I SHOULD SAY THAT THERE WAS NOT MUCH DIFFERENCE IN STRENGTH BETWEEN THE SOUTH CHINA TEAM WHICH TOURED AUSTRALIA IN 1923 AND THE EASTERN-SING TAO TEAM JUST RETURNED, SAID LEE WAI-TONG, CAPTAIN OF THE 1923 SIDE, YESTERDAY.

The 1941 team comprised better and faster individual players, but the South China team were a better combination and better balanced, the main reason being that South China had been playing for several seasons as a team—there was only one Chinese team in the League then—and had represented China in the Far Eastern Olympics.

Of the 1923 team only Lee Wai-tong is still active in the game, while he was a member of the Loh Hwa team which visited Australia in 1927. Fung King-cheong and Lee Ting-sang were also members of the 1927 team.

South China had no financial worries on the 1923 tour. The Football Authorities in Australia guaranteed all expenses and all profit or loss was for their account.

Lee Wai-tong said he was delighted with the favourable impression Eastern had made in Australia, though he naturally regretted that they lost the Test series. Their record is a good one, he said, for South China won only eight matches of the 24 played, drawing seven and losing nine.

MANAGER REVIEWS 5 TESTS

Reviewing the Five Test matches played against Australia, Mr. Chen Foh-yu, secretary-manager of the touring team had the following observations to make:

FIRST TEST, at Melbourne, June 28: We won by 6 goals to 4 after being 1-3 down in the first half. In the second half we scored 4 goals in 14 minutes, but we did not get a very big gate, only £263, as the people in this part of Australia are not very keen on soccer.

SECOND TEST, at Sydney, July 5: We lost by 2 goals to 4. In this match the Australians adopted robust methods and in the first 5 minutes Lai Shui-wing was hurt and then, in the second half, Ng Kee-cheung had to leave the field. We were leading 2-1 in the first half and the score was 2-2 when Ng was carried off. After that, playing with nine men only—substitutes were not allowed in the Tests—we found the job too much for us.

THIRD TEST, at Sydney, July 12:



Wherever the Sing Tao Eastern team played in Australia, the Chinese community turned out en masse to support their compatriots. This picture shows a section of the crowd, evidently very pleased with their countrymen's progress on the field.



"Ultra easy on the eye" was the description given by an Australian paper to this charming Australian-born Chinese lady spectator at the final football Test between the Sing Tao-Eastern touring team and Australia, which the latter won 8-4.

SHANGHAI TENNIS EXHIBITION

A very attractive exhibition tennis programme has been arranged to take place in Shanghai on August 31, in aid of the Central British War Fund. F. Sullivan and L. G. Stokes will meet Tony Liang and Edward Tsai, and H. Collaco and Kho Sin-oi will then play a singles, to be followed by the second doubles between C. C. Squires and M. Benavitch against J. V. T. Wang and Harry La.

In the Navy pool yesterday, Royal Navy "B" beat 8th Coastal Regiment, R.A., by 9 goals to 1 in the European Y.M.C.A. Invitation water-polo tournament.

We won this game by 5 goals to 2, but Australia were handicapped when their inside-right, a man named Date, was injured in a tackle and was a passenger for the rest of the game.

FOURTH TEST, at Newcastle, July 19: We lost 2-5 although everybody expected us to win. We were actually leading 2-1 up to the interval, but the game was slowed up considerably, because 13 minutes were wasted through injured players being treated on the ground, and that affected our play. The ground here was not good at all.

FIFTH TEST, at Brisbane, August 2: We lost 4-4, but it must be said that our boys were rather upset at having just heard the news that the intended extension of the tour would not materialise, and also that we were to sail the same evening at 7 p.m.; the game finishing at 5.30 p.m. The boat actually delayed its departure for a few hours to enable us to fulfil this engagement. We were 1-4 down in the first half and at one time were 4-7 in arrears. Then we scored three goals before the home team scored their final one.

SOCCER TOUR OF U.S.?

Mr. Aw Hoe, manager of Sing Tao Football Club, is by no means disappointed or discouraged because the Sing Tao-Eastern tour of Australia ended in a financial loss of approximately £1,600.

On the other hand, he is already planning ahead and said yesterday that, providing world conditions were such as to allow of the undertaking, they would be sending a team to tour the United States of America next season.

And Mr. Aw is not the only one who is looking forward to such a trip, although he says that he fears business claims would not make it possible for him to accompany the team.

The players who have just returned from Australia have enjoyed themselves so much that they feel an American, and, possibly later on, an English tour, would be just the very thing for them. They all agree that not only their football, but also their general outlook on life have benefited by the Australian tour, and trips to the west would not only further improve their play but would also add to their education.

SINGLES HANDICAPS TEN PINS

The draw for the Singles Handicap Ten Pins competition, which attracted 48 entries, was made in the Hong Kong Bowling Alleys last week and resulted as follows:

Noale (40) bye; Lewis (43) bye; Skiver (40) v. Birkett (23); T. Miller (33) v. Hollis (23); Bath (33) v. Hannan (50); Boyle (33) v. M. el Arculli (33); Keeble (43) v. McCallum (23); Rutter (30) bye; F. M. el Arculli (33) bye; Hall (23) bye; Pearce (50) bye; Woolgar (33) v. Baker (30); Gracie (23) bye; Ruel (33) bye; Muenger (40) v. Molthen (20); Gaddi (33) bye; Haymes (28) bye; Moore (26) v. Bondar (33); Mow (33) v. A. Rossetti (40); Williams (28) v. S. A. Ismail (28); Halcomb (38) bye; Blount (17) v. Cloggett (23); Watts (17) v. Smith (33); Devonshire (33) bye; O. el Arculli (40) bye; Earle (38) v. Meakor (33); Heather (13) v. Emerson (33); Hodgson (33) bye; Cooper (23) v. Wilkins (28); Groves (30) bye; Pidgeon (26) v. Rinde (33) v. Franklin (33).

The figures in brackets indicate the number of shots received by each player. Preliminary games will be over three frames only. Matches decided up-to-date are:

Pidgeon beat Franklin 400-384; M. el Arculli beat Doyle 401-378; Wilkins beat Cooper 532-385; Moore beat Bondar 589-468.

Monthly Records

Records for the month, to date are:

TEN PINS
Ladies: Mrs. E. Stevenson 190
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TO-NIGHTS BASKETBALL

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HEAVY DAYLIGHT RAIDS

Blenheim aircraft of the Bomber Command carried out three attacks on enemy-occupied territory yesterday, states an Air Ministry communique.

In each of these attacks they were accompanied by strong forces of fighters and no bombers were lost.

The first attack was made upon the iron and steel works at Ijmuiden in Holland, where direct hits were obtained on the rolling mills and other parts of the works.

In two offensives carried out over Northern France, industrial targets and railway communications at St. Omer and the Bethune areas were bombed.

The fighter escort fought a number of engagements with enemy fighters, one of which was destroyed. E-boats in the Channel were attacked by our fighters with cannon and machine-gun fire.

FOURTEEN OF OUR FIGHTERS ARE MISSING, BUT ONE OF THE PILOTS IS SAFE.

Other fighters escorted aircraft of the Coastal Command in an attack on enemy shipping off the French coast. No aircraft was lost in this operation. — Reuter.

Measures Must Be Made To Hurt

THE "MANCHESTER Guardian" in a leader on the rumours of the possibility of trade licensing between Great Britain and Japan, states that "if when the freezing of Japanese assets was announced it was intended to allow a certain amount of trade to pass by way of granting licences, it would only be natural to make arrangements to finance it."

"But that was certainly not what the public understood these sanctions to mean. They were imposed on account of the Japanese invasion of Indo-China, and it is clear that if economic counter-measures are to serve any purpose they must hurt."

"Substantial concessions might be taken that purpose without removing the irritation caused by the general principle."

"That such concessions are being considered has so far been suggested mainly from Japanese sources. This is denied in London though not as firmly as could be desired."

"One Government authority last night asserted that arrangements would cover only a few thousand pounds designed mainly for the payment of diplomatic and consular expenses."

Another Department the night before at least suggested clear-

ing accounts were being inaugurated both in London and in other parts of the Empire for the finance of any mutual trade that might officially be approved.

Any Loophole

"Licences, said this statement, would be granted only within the limits of the funds available on the clearing account. There is no doubt that the Japanese may well desire to make the greatest possible use of any loophole, so that they can replenish stocks."

"IF THEY HAD BEEN GIVEN THE IMPRESSION THAT THE PRESENT ARRANGEMENTS MIGHT BE SHAPED INTO THE THIN END OF THE WEDGE, THEY SHOULD BE QUICKLY DISILLUSIONED."

High Strategy

"Any suggestion that trade licences might be granted on financial grounds or even on the grounds that certain materials are of no use to our war effort and can, therefore, be spared would deprive the sanction of all meaning."

"A grave step has been taken for reasons of high strategy. The risks are well-known and had been weighed in advance."

"ANY WEAKNESS IN EXECUTION AND ANY SUSPICION THAT FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS MIGHT SERVE WITHOUT FURTHER FORMALITY TO COVER UP A BREACH IN THE EMBARGO WOULD NOT ONLY LOWER THE RISK, BUT WOULD ALSO WHOLLY UNDO THE EFFECT OF THE ACTION." — REUTER.

POLISH ARMY IN RUSSIA

AN ARMY OF BETWEEN 100,000 AND 120,000 POLISH SOLDIERS IS LIKELY TO BE FORMED ON SOVIET TERRITORY, ACCORDING TO THE PRESENT ESTIMATE OF GENERAL W. ANDERS, THE NEWLY-APPOINTED POLISH COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN SOVIET RUSSIA, AND GENERAL SZYSZKO-BOHUSZ, CHIEF OF THE POLISH MISSION THERE.

It was reported in London yesterday from Moscow, where these generals have taken up duties, that it is considered that a Polish army of between four and six army corps could be raised from among Polish war prisoners capable of bearing arms. — Reuter.

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RED ARMY CUSHION TACTICS

(Continued from Page 1) will then not be able to yield any further, but it will remain to be seen whether the German blows have not lost a lot of their weight.

Gomel Thrust

The new German thrust is also developing in the central sector of Gomel, between Smolensk and Kiev. It has met with local success, but it is not clear whether the Germans will continue to drive eastward towards Moscow, or south-east so as to menace the rear of Kiev.

The numbers engaged in these gigantic battles are so immense that it is obvious that even the Germans cannot put their maximum weight into all fronts at once.

But this is the sector to which they attach the utmost importance as it is directed against Moscow and it is probable that they will make a desperate effort to effect that breach in the Russian line which has so far defied all their strategy. — Reuter.

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Analysis Of War Situation

AXIS TROOPS MOVING IN BALKANS

Reports from a very reliable source in Ankara give the first indications since the Nazi invasion of Soviet Russia of Axis troop movements in Southern Bulgaria.

In addition, Italian troops at Plovdiv, with Italian Staff officers, are reported to have made a reconnaissance of Maritza Valley.

Other reports speak of Italy increasing her garrisons in the Greek islands.

Despite the possibility of such troop movements being a prelude to a fresh Axis adventure in the Balkans, Turkey expresses complete confidence that Germany has no hostile intentions towards her.

Air Force Crews

Large-scale German military movements in Bulgaria have begun, it was learned in London yesterday.

Advance units of two German Infantry divisions have arrived in the south in the past few days.

They are fresh troops newly uniformed and well-disciplined and are thought to have come from the interior of Germany.

These troops were accompanied by a considerable number of air force ground crews.

There are also reports that the Italians have moved troops into eastern Thrace and the Aegean Islands off Turkey.

Ten to fifteen thousand Italian troops have been landed on the island of Samos.—Reuter.

CALL FOR WAR IN AMERICA

A call for President Roosevelt to propose and for Congress to approve a declaration of war against the Axis nations is made in the "New Republic," one of America's foremost Liberal weeklies.

There is a chance, the magazine says, of "an immediate and complete victory over Hitler" if the United States, Russia and Britain launch a combined

Odessa Garrison Holding Firmly

THE RUSSIAN GARRISON LEFT BEHIND IN ODESSA TO FORM ANOTHER TOBRUK ARE FIGHTING DESPERATELY AND SO FAR WITH SUCCESS, WRITES "ANNALIST" IN A MILITARY COMMENTARY ON THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE RUSSO-GERMAN OPERATIONS.

Odessa, he says, should prove a difficult nut to crack, especially as the Germans will probably attempt its reduction with the aid of Rumanian troops.

On the rest of the Ukrainian front, the situation has not altered materially and the passage of the Dnieper has not been forced.

The Germans claim the capture of Narva, Novgorod and Kher-son. The Russian communique speaks only of stubborn fighting at Odessa, Gomel and Novgorod.

The loss of Kher-son was a foregone conclusion with the Germans overrunning the lower reaches of the west bank of the Dnieper. It is a considerable commercial port, but it could not be defended by improvised forces specially as it is on the wrong side of the river.

No great change is expected in the Ukraine operations for the present. It will take some time for the German High Command to get together a sufficient striking force and all the paraphernalia required for an operation of the magnitude of the forcing of the Dnieper.

Leningrad Drive

Furthermore, there are indications that the main attack has been switched back north once again with Leningrad as the objective. This offensive is now in full swing, but it is not likely to be as prolonged as the first two, although it will be intensive while it lasts.

The Russians still have room to employ the cushion tactics that have proved so successful hitherto, which enable them to absorb shock without undue loss to themselves while exacting costly payment from the enemy.

They are, however, getting near to the region where they will be fighting with their backs to the wall in defence of the great industrial belt of Leningrad. They will then not be able to yield any further, but it will remain to

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RUSSIANS ABANDON GOMEL

The following is the text of a communique issued by the Soviet Information Bureau at 10.40 (G.M.T.) last night:—

"In the course of August 21 our troops waged stubborn battles with the enemy along the whole front, especially fierce in the directions of Kingisepp, Novgorod and Gomel.

"After heavy fighting our troops evacuated Gomel.

"According to incomplete data, in the course of air combats 21 German aircraft were brought down. We lost 12 planes.

"In the afternoon of August 20, five German scouting planes were brought down by our fighters on the approaches to Moscow and not three, as previously reported."

— Reuter.

HITLER SEES FATE

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent)

GERMAN OFFICERS IN RUSSIA HAVE RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM BERLIN TO TELL THE TROOPS THAT THE SEVERITY OF THE RUSSIAN WINTER IS GROSSLY EXAGGERATED AND ALL THE MEN NEED TO WITHSTAND THE RIGOURS OF WINTER IS THICK CLOTHING PLUS VALINKIS (RUSSIAN FELT BOOTS) WHICH ARE TO BE TAKEN FROM THE PEASANTS.

These instructions, which I learn from an authoritative source in Ankara, show that Hitler realises that a winter campaign is inevitable and that his men are nervous about the winter.

— Reuter.

TO BEAT HITLER AT OWN GAME

Britain's latest and fastest cruiser tanks, "Covenanter," are probably the best designed tank of their type in the world.

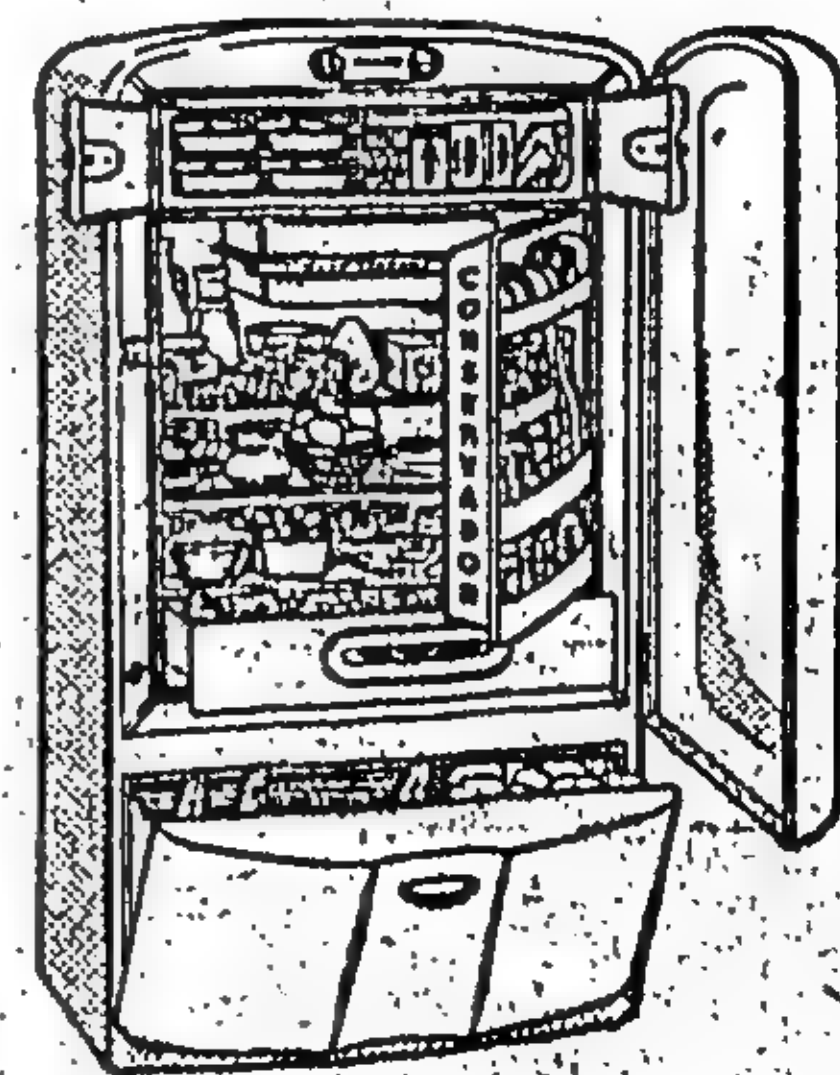
Britain's armoured divisions are now equipped with many of this type, as well as every description of fighting vehicles, trucks, cars and motor-cycles.

It has been suggested in German military circles that the war has now reached such a high degree of technical perfection that it would be impossible in the comparatively short period of a war itself to train men for such specialised fighting units, but the British Army has now many technical formations capable of their own game.

The latest British tanks have given even greater speed to armoured divisions without diminishing their striking power and many of the lessons learned in this present war are represented in the most recent models.

A typical division with its moving armoured HQ, familiarly called "The Tin Hearse," and including the latest American-made 70 m.p.h. armoured trucks, has, in addition to its own artillery, scout cars, medical corps, anti-tank, anti-aircraft and infantry units.—Reuter.

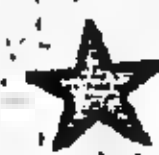
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Curious Reversal Of Tokyo Propaganda Effort In Thailand

BANGKOK'S CAUTION IN PRECAUTION

ARRIVALS IN SINGAPORE from the Thailand border remarked on the curious reversal of Japanese propaganda in Thailand which until recently was consistently belittling the British strength in Malaya and Burma.

They have turned to the contrary line now, the propaganda culminating in Tokyo Radio on Wednesday stating that 220,000 troops are standing along the British frontiers from Singapore to Burma.

Despite most emphatic and clear denials from Bangkok and Singapore, the Japanese continue their attempts to vitiate the Thai atmosphere again by putting out the report that "Thailand has received demands for bases from Britain."

"No Danger - But Be Prepared"

The new Thailand Cabinet Minister, Luang Vichit Vathakarn, Deputy Foreign Minister, broadcast yesterday on the "security of Thailand" after which translations in English, French, German, Italian and Japanese were broadcast on all wave-lengths.

The Bangkok Radio last night counselled the Thais to prepare themselves for any possible eventuality while the country was still at peace.

The speaker emphasised there was no change in the situation, that Thailand was not faced with any danger of an attack and deprecated any attempts to sensationalise precautionary advice.

NEVERTHELESS, HE URGED THE PUBLIC TO BE PREPARED

WITH SHELTERS, DUG-OUTS, BLACK-OUT EXERCISES AND TO STUDY METHODS OF DEALING WITH INCENDIARY BOMBS.

Three Guarantees

British and Japanese assurances to Thailand, the country's own determination to try its best to adhere to the strictest neutrality, and its preparedness to die for freedom, are the three guarantees of Thailand's security, said Luang Vichit Vathakarn, in his radio address which was later translated into various languages.

After reiterating Thailand's foreign policy as adumbrated on July 29 and August 9, Luang Vichit Vathakarn said that Thailand must thank the British and the Japanese for the assurances given by their spokesmen including Mr. Anthony Eden and Chief Air-Marshal Sir Brooke-Popham.

He concluded that the Thais were ready to sacrifice everything in the case of unprovoked aggression from whichever side.—Reuter.

FIFTH COLUMN AT WORK

FIGURES INTENDED TO SHOW THAT BRITAIN HAS AN AMPLE OIL-TANKER FLEET WHICH ARE BEING CIRCULATED IN THE UNITED STATES APPARENTLY IN A DELIBERATE EFFORT TO CONFUSE THE PUBLIC ARE "WHOLLY AND COMPLETELY FALSE," STATED MR. RALPH DAVIES, UNITED STATES DEPUTY PETROLEUM CO-ORDINATOR, REPLYING TO UNOFFICIAL REPORTS THAT IT WAS NOT NECESSARY TO TRANSFER AMERICAN TANKERS TO BRITAIN.

"The inadequacy of British and Allied tankers to fulfil a wartime task as indicated by conclusive evidence in our hands is such as to warrant the transfer of American tankers to aid transportation of oil," he declared.

"No one should be deluded here. Every step taken has been essential, in our judgment, to the job of getting oil to the fighting fronts and thus protecting our own national security," he added.

Mr. Davies said that the reports that the British have ample tankers and that it was not necessary to transfer American tankers to aid the British "do not square with detailed figures submitted by the British."—Reuter.

NEW COMMAND FOR LORD LOUIS

The aircraft-carrier "Illustrious," which is in an American shipyard under repairs, is to be commanded by Captain Lord Louis Mountbatten, it is officially announced by the British Press Service in New York.

Lord Louis Mountbatten was in command of H.M.S. Kelly which was once nearly sunk in a dive-bombing attack in the Channel, and was subsequently sunk off Crete.

It will be recalled that "Illustrious" was the main target of German and Italian dive-bombers on January 10 when British warships were escorting a large and vital convoy to Greece.

The Admiralty then announced that she was struck by seven large bombs which put several of her guns out of action and caused several fires on board. Under her own steam, with an escort of destroyers, "Illustrious" reached Malta.—Reuter.

NAZI LEADERS FALL

THE DEATH OF S. A. GROUP LEADER HEINZ KNICKMANN, ONE OF THE OLDEST NAZI PARTY MEMBERS, WHILE FIGHTING ON THE RUSSIAN FRONT, WAS REPORTED BY THE GERMAN RADIO LAST NIGHT.

Rome radio announced earlier that Arthur Akmann, chief of the Hitler Youth, was also severely wounded, necessitating amputation of the right hand, in action on the eastern front.—Reuter.

LADY BROOKE IN SINGAPORE

Lady Brooke, Rance of Sarawak, arrived in Singapore yesterday by Clipper. She is on her way to Sarawak after nearly two years' absence during which time she has earned her own living in the United States.—Reuter.

RUSSIANS RAID BERLIN

Russian planes raided Berlin on Wednesday night, causing fires, Moscow Radio announced last night, adding that all the Russian planes returned safely.—Reuter.

TERRIFIC ODESSA BATTLE

An unfinished battleship and cruiser that were on the shipyard stocks at the Black Sea port of Nikolaiev, were blown up before the Soviet forces evacuated the port.

This fact was revealed, in Moscow yesterday by M. Lozovsky, the Soviet spokesman.

Questioned about the German claim to have captured a battleship and other vessels there, he said this was untrue.

The battleship and cruiser on the stocks were without engines and were blown up together with the shipyards, he added.

REPLYING TO REUTER, M. LOZOVSKY SAID THAT ODESSA WAS NEITHER A DUNKIRK NOR A TOBRUK. "IT IS ODESSA," HE SAID, "ONE OF THE FIERCEST AND MOST MEMORABLE BATTLES OF THIS WAR."—REUTER.

Dutch Scouts Defiant

Dutch Boy Scouts are defying the Nazi ban making them members of an illegal organisation and are holding meetings and camps, states "Vrij Nederland," the Free Dutch newspaper published in London.

The boys and their parents have been warned by the Nazi Commissioner-General for Public Security of the punishment that will be meted out to them if this continues.

He states: "German police

patrols during July and August have noticed that Boy Scouts have been active.

"A camp was raided near Putten and 120 Scouts arrested. The boys resisted the German police who were compelled to use their arms. One 16-year-old Scout was wounded.

"The boys' parents share in the blame for the Scout movement defying the ban and if they do not stop their sons from stupid Scout activities they will be arrested and their sons will be expelled from school."—Reuter.

RUSSIAN FRONT STILL RETAINS COHESION

THE PRESENT successes gained by the Germans in Russia, although serious, are not regarded as presaging an early Russian defeat since the front seems to retain cohesion and there is a general impression, though not confirmed, that Marshal Budenny has extricated a great part of his armies to continue the struggle east of the Dnieper.

Russian reports even speak of the rout of a German division in west Ukraine, and the Germans are not having all their own way even west of the Dnieper.

It is reported, again without confirmation, that the Russians have blown up the great dam at Dnieperstrov, vital power station for the Ukrainian industries, but if by doing so they have saved Marshal Budenny's army and facilitated the holding of the Dnieper line, then the economic loss will probably have been justified.

Mention of fighting in the centre at Gomel seems to indicate a German attempt to outflank the Kiev sector and turn the Dnieper line, and may thus constitute a serious threat to the Russian defence.

In the north, Voroshilov's summons to the people of Leningrad to defend the city to the last, together with the German claim to have captured Novgorod, shows the Germans are making a serious attempt to reach this objective also, though they probably are still at least 50 or 60 miles away.

From the effort expended by the Germans on this thrust it is evident they are now making a

third great offensive in the attack on Russia but it remains to be seen whether it will go further or prove more decisive than the first two, which cost the Germans such enormous losses in men and materials.

In Serious Straits

Meanwhile "The Times," quoting the report of the correspondent of a Zurich newspaper who visited the front, that the Germans are having great difficulties with communications, observes that the use of aeroplanes for transport on a front of millions suggests they are in serious straits.

The correspondent goes on to say the whole German construction organisation is standing by to provide housing for the troops in the approaching winter, and that the country he saw was so completely devastated as to afford no shelter whatever.—British Wireless.



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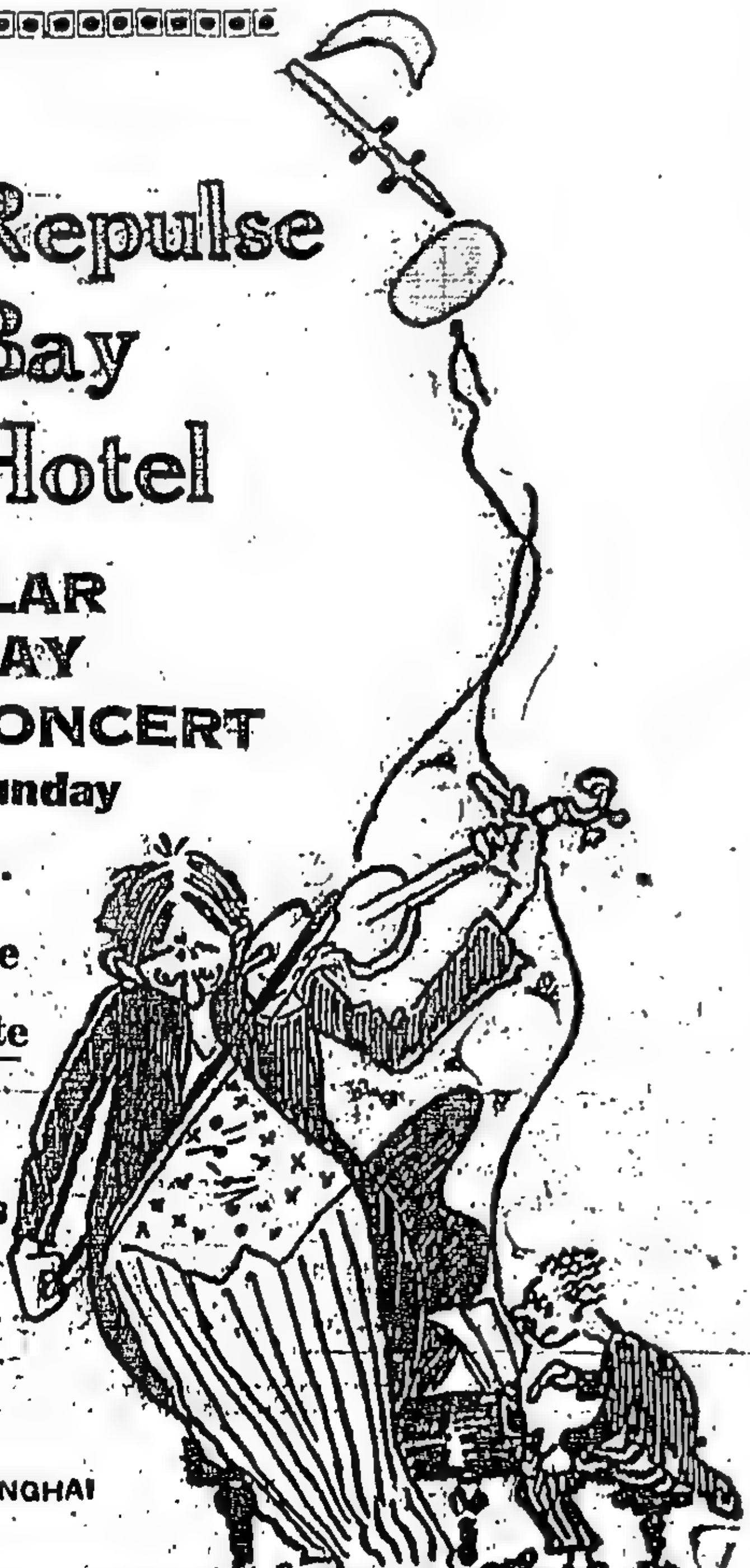
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A MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

Solid Declaration Against Peace With Hitler

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A SOLID DECLARATION AGAINST ANY NEGOTIATED PEACE WITH HITLER WAS GIVEN BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT YESTERDAY IN A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO CONGRESS, REPORTING ON HIS EPOCH-MAKING MEETING AT SEA WITH MR. CHURCHILL.

The President said that the declaration of principles agreed upon there were so clear cut that they would be difficult to oppose "without automatically admitting willingness to accept a compromise."

These principles, he added, also would be hard to oppose without admitting willingness "to agree to a world peace which would give to Nazism domination over large numbers of conquered nations."

"Inevitably," said the President, "such a peace would be a gift to Nazism to take a breath — an armed breath — for a second war to extend their control over Europe and Asia to the American hemisphere itself."

Freedoms

It was perhaps unnecessary, he went on, to call attention once more to the utter lack of validity of the written or spoken word of the Nazi Government.

It was also unnecessary to point out that the eight-point declaration included of necessity "the world need for freedom of religion and freedom of information."

No society of the world organized under the announced principles could survive without these freedoms which are part of the whole freedom for which we strive.

Suggestion To President

Officials at the White House say that the President's special message to Congress was suggested by the Democratic Congressional party leaders who conferred with the President on August 18 regarding the Atlantic conference.

President Roosevelt made a reference to Canadian ships which is believed to be the first official announcement that Canadian warships were present at the scene of the conference. — Reuter.



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The most outspoken Japanese anti-Hitler comment yet made, appeared in the Japanese-owned "Singapore Herald" yesterday as follows:—

"Hitler cares nothing for Japan except the use he can make of her to further his ambitions. Nothing will happen to her if Japan plays her part carefully." — Reuter.

COLONEL COLLET PROMOTED

A number of important promotions in the Free French Army in the Levant have been made by General de Gaulle, Commander-in-Chief of the Free French Forces.

They include promotion to the rank of General of Colonel Collet, at present Commander of the Damascus garrison and delegate of the Free French to the Syrian Government.

Colonel Mancelart, Governor of the Jebel-Druze, and Colonel Vulliam, head of the Free French Air Force.

General Collet was one of the first high French officers to go over to the Free French Forces. — Reuter.

PRES. ROOSEVELT FOLLOWS HIS OWN PRECEDENT

BY INFORMING Congress officially of his talks with Mr. Churchill, President Roosevelt has followed the practice he established in the case of the American ship "Robin Moor," namely telling legislators of the action taken and the policy pursued.

As on the previous occasion his message calls for no action but it undoubtedly will be approved by Congress.

After that the eight points will be national policy rather than just Administration policy.

The "clear gains" to which President Roosevelt refers are already in evidence. The conversations on the high seas, combined with Lord Beaverbrook's activities in Washington since, and the coming Anglo-Russian-American Conference, indicate clearly a new strategy of supply with Washington as the nerve centre.

British and U.S. production of war supplies, it is reported, is now being made one integral whole, working with one purpose towards a single objective. A much higher degree of efficiency seems bound to result.

It is stated that efforts will now be directed towards bringing Russia into this supply system so that the industrial efforts of all these nations can be integrated and directed in an intelligent manner towards their common objective.

Lack Of Information

At present, it is added, there is not sufficient information coming from Russia either in regard to the fighting or production in the Soviet Union — for this purpose but it is believed that the position has been stated unequivocally to Moscow and it will be repeated if necessary when the tripartite talks in Moscow begin. — Reuter.

AUSTRALIA'S MUNITIONS DRIVE

Munition workers in Australia are now estimated to number 200,000 which is 50,000 more than the Government expected a year ago, it was learned in Canberra yesterday.

Announcing this, Mr. MacBride, Minister for Munitions, said that the number employed on the Government payroll is expected to be doubled this financial year.

Excluding the Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation and the principal naval dockyards, Government-owned factories were now employing 50,000 operatives compared with 24,000 a year ago and 11,700 before the war. — Reuter.

CYPRUS TOWN BOMBED

Enemy planes raided Famagusta in Cyprus yesterday morning, causing some civilian casualties and slight damage to civilian property, says Reuter's Nicosia correspondent.

It is learned (says Reuter from Nicosia, capital of Cyprus) that one civilian was killed and six injured in yesterday morning's air raid on Famagusta.

EGYPTIAN TRADE WITH SYRIA

A Board of Trade regulation issued on Wednesday in Cairo permitting trade with Syria is expected to help bringing down the cost of living there.

One of the reasons for the present high costs in Syria is the fact that the Vichy regime left Syria short of essential supplies.

The British and the Free French authorities have now arranged for 5,000 tons of wheat to be delivered to Damascus at the rate of 150 tons daily.

The currency will remain stabilised at 8.83 which obviates the necessity for a black bourse.

Prince Bernhard Leads Airmen

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands visited an R.A.F. aerodrome yesterday where Dutch fighter pilots are in training, the Prince arriving in his own plane which he was piloting.

He took off as the leader of a training formation of nine machines all piloted by Dutch flyers.

On landing, Prince Bernhard said to his compatriots: "I am proud that thanks to the cooperation of the R.A.F. we are now able to train Dutchmen as fighter pilots here in England, so that shortly we may have many Dutch squadrons in action with the R.A.F."

"These squadrons will fly Spitfires presented by the N.E.I. I am grateful for the excellent training the R.A.F. has given me and I have no doubt that all of you appreciate the facilities given by Great Britain. I wish you all the best of luck during and after your training." — Reuter.

QUIETER TENDENCY ON STOCK MARKET

The Stock Exchange in London yesterday displayed a tendency to pause. Profit-taking appeared in most sections but the undertone remained generally firm. Gilt-edged securities and home rails mainly retained the recent advance but Industrials were distinctly reactionary apart from the continued firmness of Breweries.

Oil was irregular, Anglo-Iranian easier and Shell's and Trinidad issues firm. Kaffirs fluctuated, but were generally maintained. Japanese bonds tended easier. Wall Street continued very quiet but slightly firmer. — Reuter.



ACHTUNG, HAWKINS! ACHTUNG!

"I say, Hawkins, you might be more careful. You nearly had me over the banisters."

"I'm very sorry, Sir. I had not anticipated your arrival in — er — one fell swoop, if I may coin a phrase. In fact, Sir, I didn't know you were up."

"My good man, I've been up since cockcrow. The clocks were striking eight as I sprang from my Spartan box spring mattress."

"Indeed, Sir."

"Yes, Hawkins. Indeed! Indeed! Indeed! I suppose you think I ought to have a roaring headache."

and a taste in my mouth like cold dinner knives?"

"Well, Sir, now that you press me, you were out rather late last night."

"Of course I was. Didn't get back till three. But I drank nothing but 'Ginlets.' And now I'm feeling as fit as one of those culinary what's-its-names."

"Triceps, Sir. I'm not surprised, Sir. Rose's Lime Juice possesses therapeutic properties which..."

"Confound you, Hawkins. You know all the answers!"

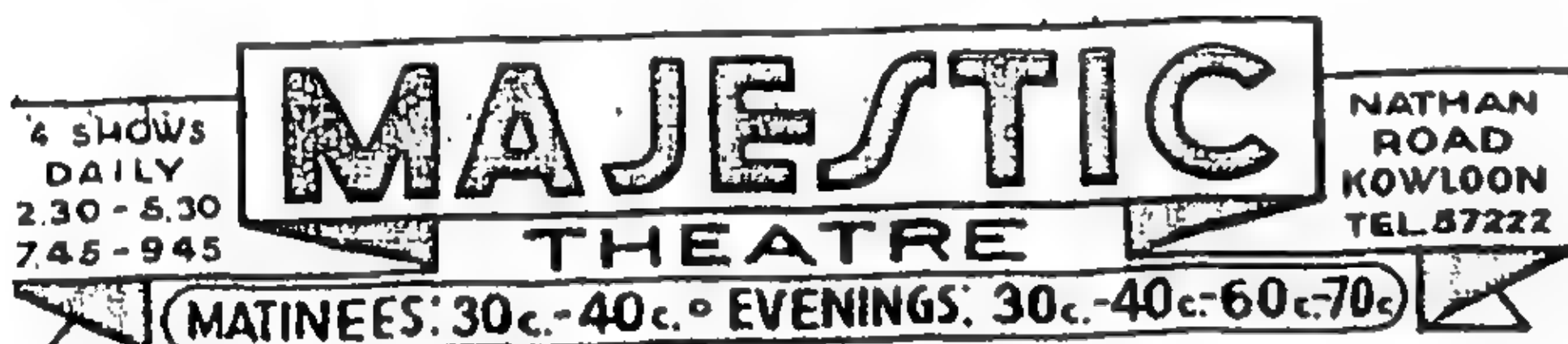
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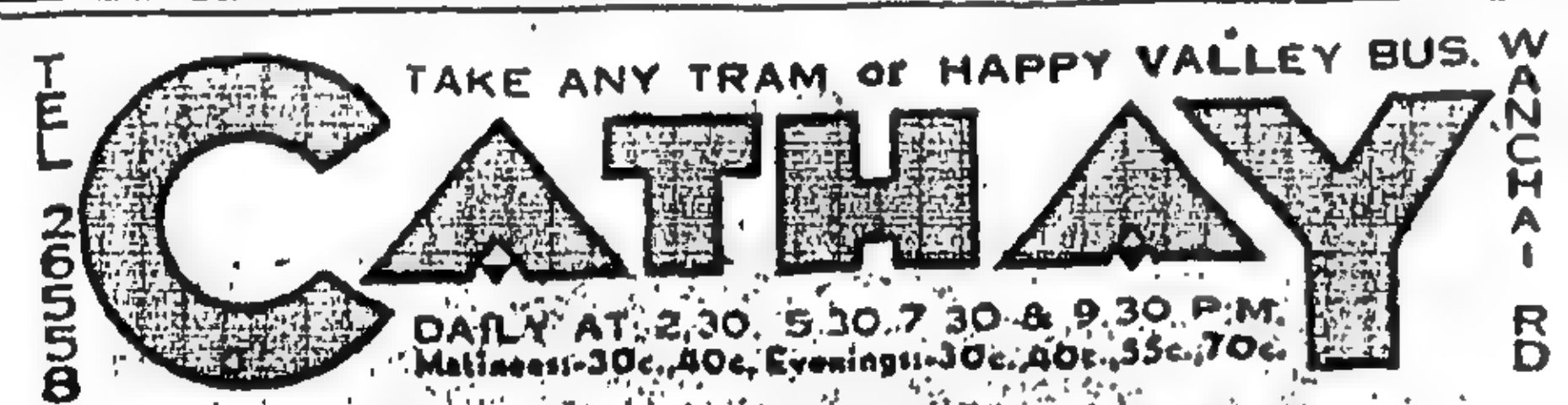
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BANK OF FRANCE RAISES A QUESTION

WHERE IS THE Bank of France's gold, asks the "Financial News" in London yesterday commenting on the first weekly statement published by the Bank of France since the collapse, showing that the gold reserve of the bank amounts to 84½ milliard francs.

This figure does not differ materially from the amount of gold holding before the Franco-German Armistice.

The question is how much of this gold is under effective control of the Vichy authorities?

As is well known a large amount was transferred to the United States before the collapse and was frozen by an order of the Washington Administration.

Another substantial amount found its way to Martinique and is kept there.

An agreement was recently reached between the Vichy Government and the United States Government by which the former undertook to consult the latter before moving any gold from Martinique. In return the American authorities agreed to release some of the French gold frozen in the United States for urgent requirements of the inhabitants of Martinique.

In Dakar

A substantial part of the French gold reserve was evacuated to Dakar.

Complete mystery surrounds the fate of this gold. According to one theory, a French warship transferred it to Martinique but it is more probable that the gold is still at Dakar. One wonders how long it will be before the Vichy Government agrees to surrender part of its gold to Germany.—Reuter.

CLOSER GUARD ON BANNED AREAS

Police checks on holidaymakers who enter banned areas without permits or for inadequate reasons are to be tightened up.

This has been made necessary because people still travel to coastal districts by road and rail despite the regulations.

In Brighton alone thirty people have been fined for entering the area and forty summonses are waiting to be heard. These have all been issued since Whitsun.

One case in particular put the police "wise" to a new racket. A London girl and two men friends were fined 30s. each at Brighton Police Court for being in the town without a permit or adequate reason.

They explained that they met a man in North London who promised to arrange board and lodging for them and to get them a permit. They were to pay him an all-in rate for the week-end.

On their first morning in Brighton they were stopped by the police and sent back to London.

DUST STORMS IN THE DESERT

A British General Headquarters communiqué issued in Cairo yesterday states that in the Tobruk area heavy dust storms continue to limit air patrol activities. In the frontier area there is no change. The Suez Canal area had another air raid on Wednesday night. Two were killed and 20 injured and slight damage to property was caused.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI TRAIN DERAILED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
TWO WERE KILLED AND 28 INJURED WHEN A LOCOMOTIVE AND FOUR CARS ON THE SHANGHAI-NANKING RAILWAY WERE DERAILED ON TUESDAY. THE JAPANESE AUTHORITIES IN SHANGHAI REVEALED YESTERDAY.

The accident was caused by loose ground along the track and not by guerillas.

The line will be closed for two days while the debris is cleared.—International News Service.

SOLAR ECLIPSE TO LAST 202 SECONDS ON SEPTEMBER 21

Nearly total darkness, with stars of First Magnitude probably visible, are expected to accompany the total solar eclipse at noon on September 21, which because of the nearness of the shadow path will afford a unique opportunity for observation of China residents, especially those living in the lower Yangtze River district.

The duration of the total phase of the eclipse is estimated at 202 seconds, which is sufficient for useful observation.

The total shadow path will pass 400 kilometers south of Shanghai which is relatively far. Such phenomena as corona, prominences which require totality will be not observed here, while the darkness will be nearly total.

The differences of temperature although real will be small, the eclipse occurring at noon when the earth surface is already hot. For visual observations, according to the Zikawei Observatory, the best way is to use ordinary glasses with black eye-pieces like those used by mariners in their sextant. For the naked eye it would be best to prepare glasses wholly or partially smoked.

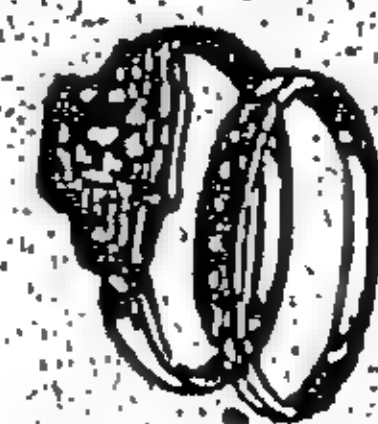
The most scientific observations possible here and independent of cloudiness would be the variations in the intensity of reception of radio waves. The eclipse will modify the reflecting power of the upper layers of the atmosphere (Kennelly-Heaviside layer).

The eclipse path passes south-eastwardly through the expanse of Asia dividing it almost into two equal parts and covers a wide terrain from the high tablelands of the interior to the river regions. It begins at sunrise in the North Caucasus and its shadow path traverses the Caspian Sea and the Central Asia region of Soviet Russia. Entering China from the north-west it passes through the heart of the country, again dividing it into two halves at its longest diameter, and disappears in the Pacific Ocean.

The districts passed over in China by the shadow are: the Tien Shan Mountain range and the Tarim Basin in Sinkiang north of the Takla Maklan Desert, north of Tsinhai (Kokonor) province, southern Kansu, southern Shensi, the entire part of Hupeh, northern Kiangsi, a part of southern Chekiang and northern Fukien.

Among the towns passed over are: Kuche and Luntai of Sinkiang; Tula and Sining, the capital of Tsinhai; Linhsia, Lintan and Tientsin of Kansu, whose capital Lanchow is on the northern limit of the shadow; Fenchien and Ankang of Shensi; Paokang, Shiehing and Hankow, Wuchang and Hanyang; Kuikiang, Yungshu and Nanchang capital of Kiangsi; Pucheng, Kienyang and Fuan of Fukien and other important towns.

Through China Proper the path intersects the most densely populated districts and numerous highways. The railway lines include the Lunghai Line, the Peiping-Hankow Line, the Can-on-Hankow Line, the Nanchang-Hunan Line, the Nanchang-Hunan Line, the Nanchang-Kiukiang Line, the Nanchang-Nanchang Line and the Chienkiang-Kiukiang Line. It also traverses the Yangtze River in Hupeh Province.



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HUNDREDS OF FIGHTERS IN DAYLIGHT RAIDS

SINCE DAYLIGHT yesterday morning aircraft of the Fighter Command have continued to take part in offensive operations, safely escorting bombers to IJmuiden, in Holland, attacking enemy shipping and sweeping far inland over enemy occupied territory, says the Air Ministry news service. Many hundreds of fighters took part in these operations.

As a result of the strict checking system in claiming results which the Fighter Command insists upon, only one ME109 is claimed as definitely destroyed up to 6 p.m. last evening. This was seen to crash but it is believed that many others shared the same fate though low cloud prevented our pilots seeing the end of the victims.

Many pilots' reports contain passages such as these: "He spiralled down into cloud out of control." "I saw pieces come off the ME and it dived vertically into cloud and probably crashed."

Although many enemy pilots avoided combat with our Spitfires and Hurricanes, others attacked our fighters when they were en-

countered in smaller numbers.

One fighter pilot who attacked an E-boat from 100 feet reports a hit by cannon shells in the magazine of the ship. A violent explosion followed.

Other fighters safely escorted bombers to and from the target in Holland—the important steel

works at IJmuiden which is now working for the Nazis.

Bombed From 50 Feet

The attack was made from a low level and fighter pilots saw many bombs bursting on the works' buildings.

Bombers with fighter escorts have now taken in hand factories in Holland where the Germans are making armaments, states the Air Ministry news service.

Yesterday morning Blenheim of the Bomber Command, accompanied by many squadrons of fighters, attacked from 50 feet the steel works and iron foundry at IJmuiden.

This lies about a mile inland on the north side of IJmuiden harbour, where the North Sea canal from Amsterdam flows in.

The works produce high grade pig iron such as is used for gas engines, cylinder steel for steam cylinders and strong low carbon iron for diesel cylinders, hydraulic presses and pistons.

Rolling Mill Hit

The rolling mill, vital part of the works, was hit by several bombs released by the first wave of Blenheims. The second wave followed within a few minutes and more bombs burst between rows of chimneys in the centre of the works.

Before our bombers left the coast they machine-gunned a barrack square near the sand dunes.

Later in the day other forces of Blenheims, again protected by fighters, bombed industrial objectives and railways in Northern France.

An Air Ministry communique states: "Blenheim aircraft of the Bomber Command carried out three attacks on enemy-occupied territory yesterday. In each operation they were escorted by strong forces of fighters and no bombers were lost."

"An attack was made on the iron and steel works at IJmuiden, in Holland, where direct hits were obtained on the rolling mills and other parts of the works."

"In two offensives carried out over Northern France industrial targets and railway communications in the St. Omer and Bethune areas were bombed."

14 Fighters Missing

"Fighter escorts fought a number of engagements with enemy fighters one of which was destroyed."

"E-boats in the Channel were attacked by our fighters with cannon and machine-gun fire. A large explosion was caused on one and another was left smoking."

"Fourteen of our fighters are missing but one pilot is safe."

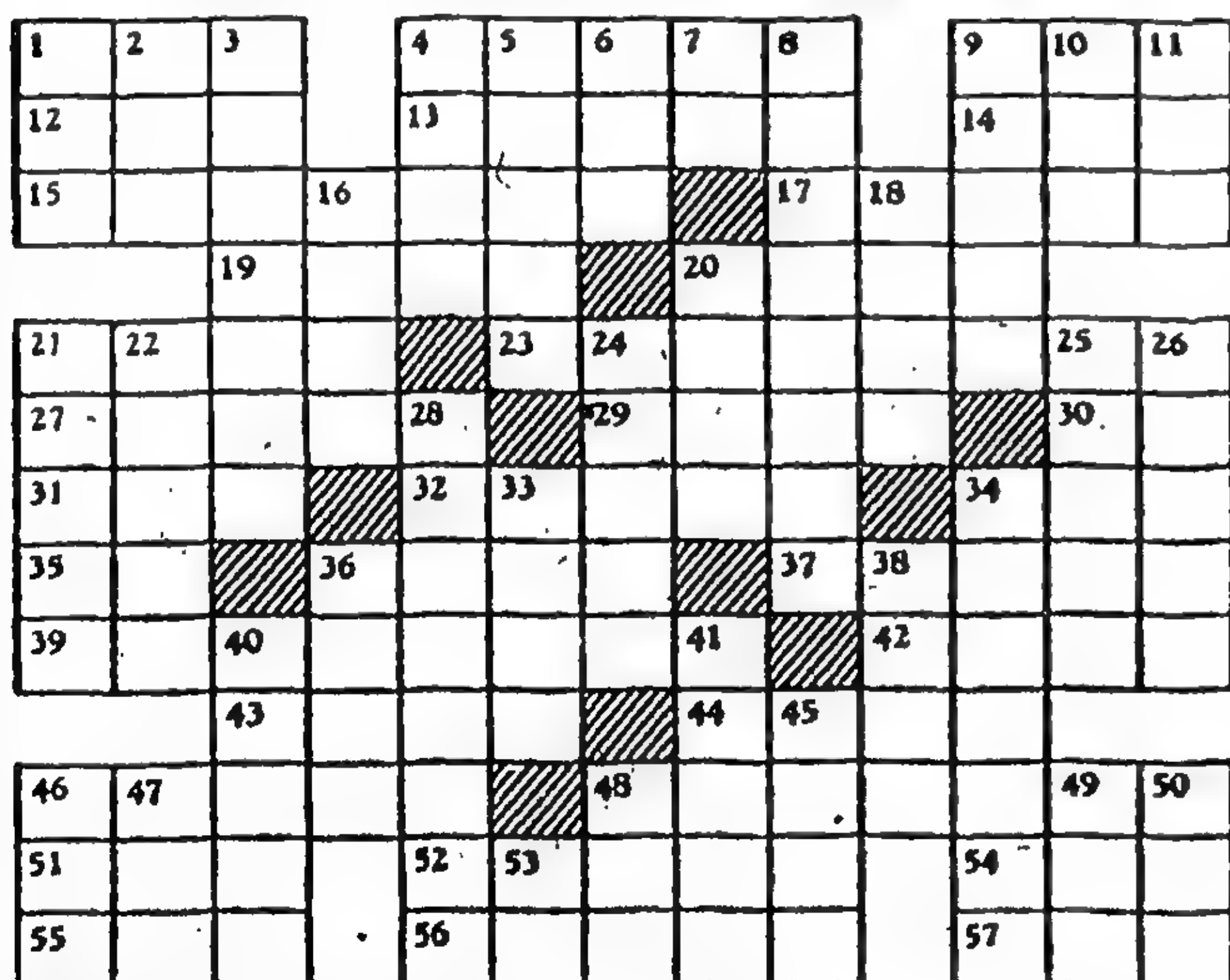
"Other fighters escorted aircraft of the Coastal Command in an attack on enemy shipping off the French coast. One aircraft was lost in this operation." — British Wireless.

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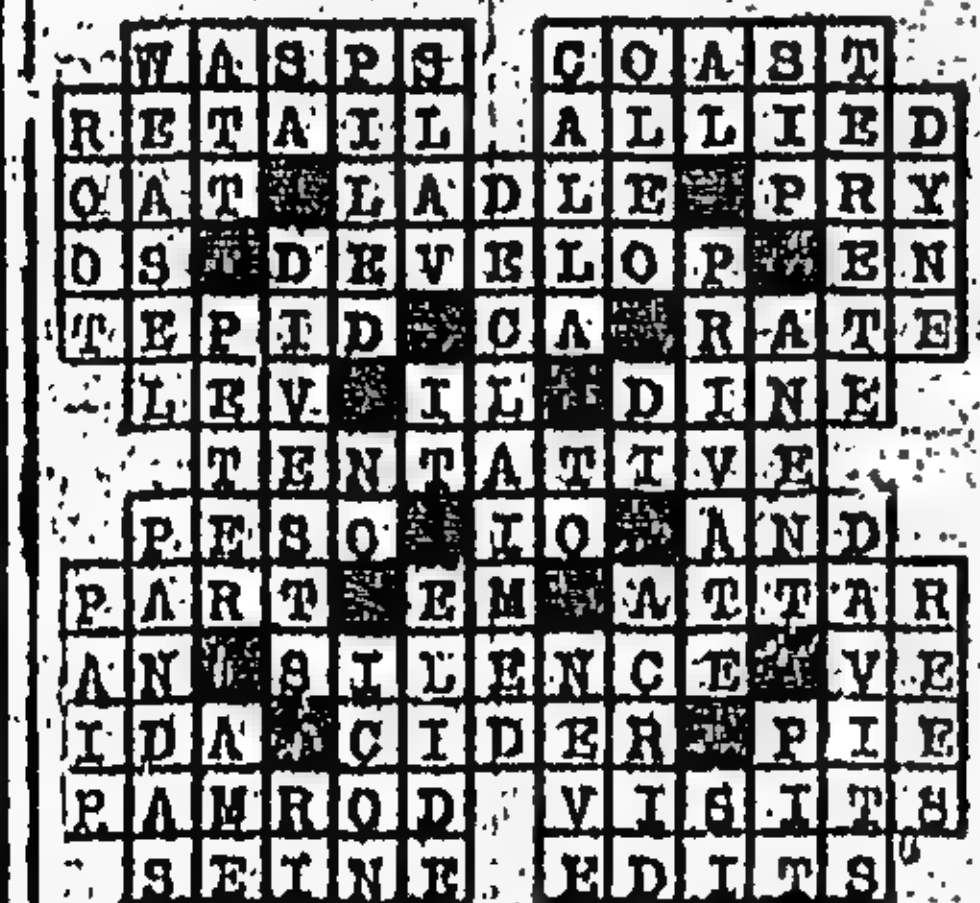
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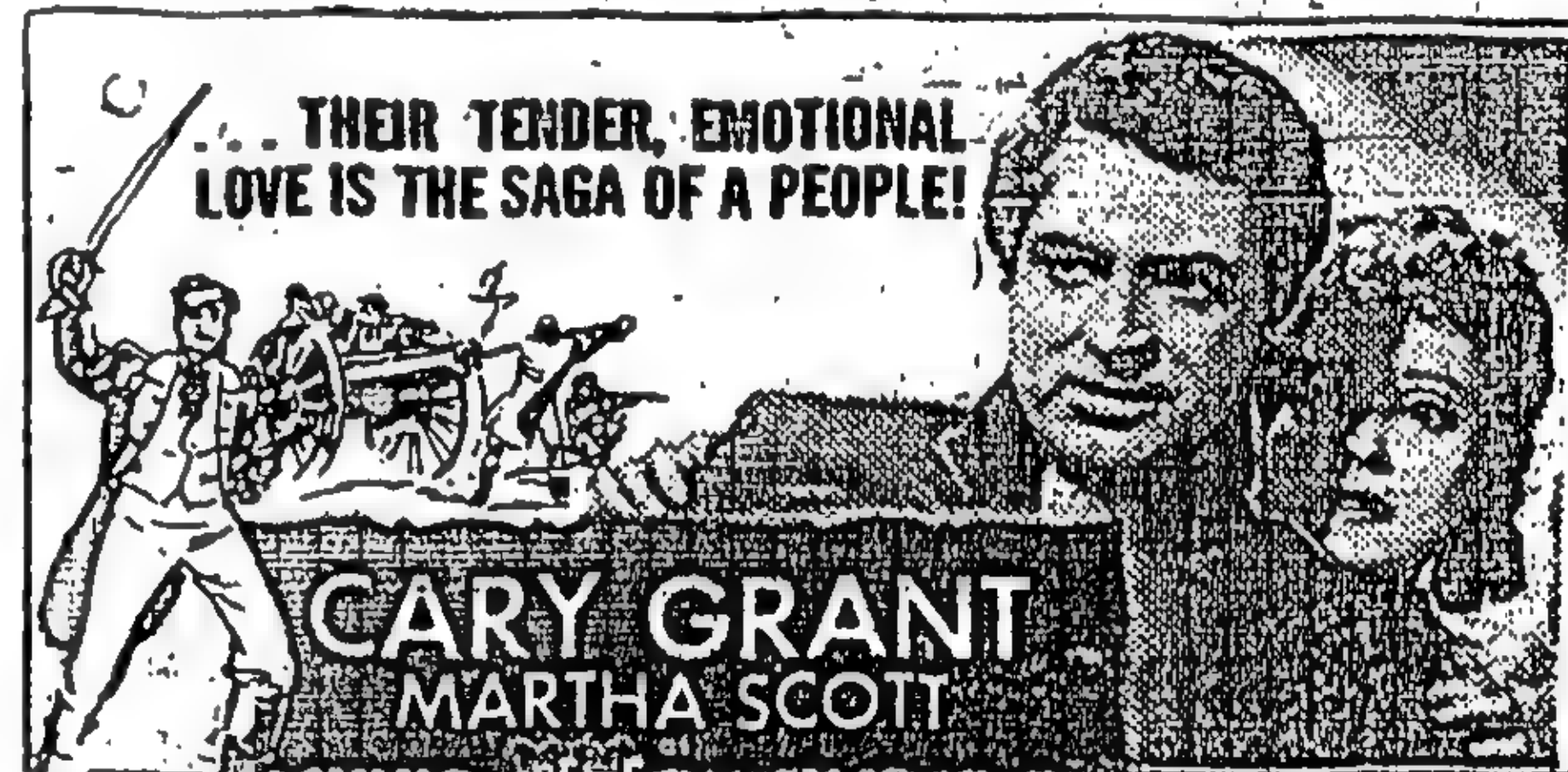
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CRIPPLING OF JAPAN IN SIX MONTHS PREDICTED

A TOTAL ECONOMIC blockade by the United States and the British Empire would cripple Japanese industry within six months of an outbreak of war with Japan, British economic warfare experts said recently.

Japan's occupation of French Indo-China will hoister her stocks of five basic commodities, but even these gains, which experts called "one of the chief reasons for the move into Indo-China," would be outweighed by the effects on Japanese industry and export trade of strict economic sanctions.

The statement was made in full knowledge of "immense stocks" of war materials bought by Japan in the world's market for the last two years.

Total Blockade Weighed

The question of a total blockade of Japan seemed to be far from academic in London. It was admitted that such a move would be the least expensive and the most readily applied action open to Britain, which already maintains blockade forces in the Red Sea, the Indian Ocean and the Atlantic.

If joint action by the American and British Governments materialises, it is most likely to take the blockade form.

Japan already has tightened her economic belt in the last two years. The British Empire, its resources straining by the task of combating Germany and Italy, has steadily scaled down its exports to Japan.

Britain's embattled position is not the sole reason for curtailment of supplies to Japan. Japan's partnership in the Axis and the nearness of her battle fleet to Singapore have convinced staff officers of the necessity of economic warfare.

Import Status Surveyed

Here, according to these experts, is Japan's import balance sheet, a foundation on which she must continue to maintain more than 2,500,000 troops in the field, equip and supply the world's third largest navy and expand an already large air force.

Iron Ore—Japan is dependent on the United States and Britain for 73 per cent; British India supplies another 21 per cent.

Scrap Iron—American supplies cut to almost nothing; Japan now living off accumulated stores.

Pig Iron—Supply from British India drastically cut.

Oil—Japan has "enormous stocks" on hand, but modern war demands are proportionately great; United States curtailment of high-octane fuel view here as almost worthless, since Japanese are reported able to improve available fuel for aircraft use.

If the United States clamps down on oil shipments, Venezuelan and Central American production would be available "until United States influence in South America is exerted," according to the British. The Netherlands has curtailed the East Indian supply as a defence measure, although some got through because of Japanese pressure.

Copper—Japan purchased heavily in Chile, the United States and Canada; sources in British Empire now almost nothing and stocks in Japan are said to be dwindling steadily.

Lead And Zinc Restricted

Lead—Formerly bought mostly in Burma, Australia, Canada and the United States.

Zinc—Buying position in the British Empire identical with that of lead; American defence priorities taking much that once went to Japan.

Tin—Japan once was one of the leading tin customers of Malaya and the Netherlands Indies. This source is closed but there is tin in Indo-China and Thailand (Siam).

Nickel—Formerly bought from Canada. The lone near-by market is New Caledonia, now in Free French hands and soon to be closed to Japan.

Aluminium—Biggest supplies in Canada and the Netherlands Indies. Both would be closed to Japan if sanctions were imposed.

Manganese—Supplies from

India and Malaya would be lost to Japan in case of blockade. Limited stocks on hand.

Vanadium—Supplies of this important ferro alloy are almost exclusively the property of the British Empire and the United States. One other source is Peru, where it is believed United States influence would be important.

Mercury—Italian supply shut off. The United States, Mexico and Spain are other producers.

Rubber And Coal Available

Rubber—Malay and East Indies supplies would be stopped by blockade, but considerable stocks are on hand in Thailand and Indo-China produces some.

Coal—Very scanty, but stocks of anthracite are available in Indo-China.

Cotton—Almost all is imported from the United States and India, and would be cut by a blockade.

Wool—Japan bought almost her entire stock in Australia.

By occupation of Indo-China, Japan gained an annual production of 70,000 tons of rubber, 2,500 to 3,000 tons of tin, 1,500,000 to 2,000,000 tons of rice, 300 tons of tungsten and 1,000 tons of zinc. A major part of Indo-Chinese anthracite, of which the yearly production reaches 800,000 tons, also is available to the Japanese.

CRUELTY TO A PIGEON

Sir,—It has been brought to the notice of the Hong Kong Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals that a member of the Public brought to a place of amusement in the Colony a live pigeon, which was let loose and the guests were invited to catch it, the person catching it being given a prize. Immediately the matter was brought to the notice of the management, the Manager took steps to prevent its recurrence.

I am instructed by my Committee to point out that amusements of this nature are cruel, and to ask members of the Society to cooperate with the Society in trying to prevent similar so-called forms of amusement and to say that the Society will be most grateful to anybody who will let us know either of any proposal for so-called entertainment of this nature or of similar incidents.

W. REES HARRISS,
Hon. Secretary.

WATERLOO TROPHY N NEW YORK

The Union Jack, which was proudly flown above Waterloo Station through the heaviest air raids of the past twelve months has, in its tattered and damaged condition, been sent to New York where it is now displayed in the windows of the British Railways offices.—British Wireless.

FOOD SUPPLIES TO BRITAIN

Lord Woolton, Minister for Food, has discussed food supplies to Britain with Mr. Paul Appleby, Under-Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture, and Mr. Rudolf Evans, of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration.—British Wireless.

SHEER SUICIDE FOR JAPAN

"It would be sheer suicide for Japan to fight, as she has not control of the air, without which her navy cannot operate," said Sir Victor Sassoon on arrival in Singapore yesterday from Hong Kong.

Sir Victor added he did not think Japan would go to war.—Reuter.

Norway Taking The Air

In a week or so the first fighter squadron of the Norwegian Air Force in Britain will be ready to operate with the Royal Air Force, it was learned in London yesterday.

Equipped with Hurricanes, its pilots and ground crews have come from all over the world.

The pilots are all fliers of great experience who were either in the Norwegian Air Force or were commercial pilots before the invasion of Norway.

The Commanding Officer is a Norwegian Air Force staff officer who escaped.—Reuter.

Escapes From Norway

EQUIPPED WITH HURRICANES THE FIRST FIGHTER SQUADRON OF THE NORWEGIAN AIR FORCE WILL SHORTLY BE OPERATING WITH THE R.A.F.

Some of the pilots belonged to a party of 16 airmen who escaped in a fishing boat. They steered for the Shetlands, missed the mark and were found by a destroyer well out in the Atlantic.

One pilot actually did cross the Atlantic in a small boat. He was with three other Norwegians and it took them 40 days to reach Newfoundland. They had some difficulty at first in persuading Newfoundlanders they were not spies.

Many of the aircraftmen in the squadron were sailors in Norway before the invasion.—British Wireless.

APPOINTED DEPUTY MARSHAL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

MR. LIONEL P. STAGG, FORMER SPORTS EDITOR OF THE "SHANGHAI EVENING POST" AND LATELY DEPUTY CLERK IN THE U.S. COURT, HAS BEEN APPOINTED TO SUCCEED SAM TITELBAUM AS U.S. DEPUTY MARSHAL.

Mr. Stagg is a grandson of Alonzo Stagg. The appointment awaits Washington's confirmation.

Meanwhile Titelbaum is still languishing in gaol pending the appointment of a judge by President Roosevelt.—International News Service.



THE BATTLE OF THE WEST

As Dr. Goebbels continues hastily putting out photographs of, presumably, good Nazis painting "V's" on locomotives, he only deepens one's interest in the progress of the second great battle on the Continent — the secret Battle of the West, in which there are no fronts, no war maps and few communiqués, but which can be of critical importance. We have seen two great wars — the Napoleonic and the first World War — won neither in the East nor in the West but by interaction between the two. It is not with their bombers alone that the British are now fighting in the West. The "V" campaign, as it was announced from London, may have seemed only a gigantic publicity stunt to the strains of Beethoven's "fate" motive. There is no doubt that there is more to it than that.

There are more than hints of large-scale sabotage organised on the Continent. There is, moreover, somewhat less credible, a story from Berne about the wrecking of German troop trains in occupied France, with British parachutists assisting the French saboteurs, and painted "V's" left to decorate the wreckage. There is a story about a colossal explosion in Austria, when a huge underground benzene store was blown up; there are stories about destroyed munitions factories; there are stories about serious sabotage behind the lines in Poland. How much reality there may be behind these stories or how far they are simply part of a "war of nerves" we do not know; but the German munitions train which was, beyond doubt, recently wrecked and exploded in Sweden at least gives pause.

The stories are timed not only to Beethoven's theme but to the thunderous crash of British bombs on western Germany about which the Nazis have shut down an iron silence. It is all a part of single great battle, a battle of destruction of resources and communications and factory capacity, a battle of sabotage, a battle of nerves, a battle of propaganda, at once to weaken the German hope of victory and rouse the spirit of undying resistance in the victim peoples. It is an attempt by every possible means to utilise the immense de-



SPIRIT OF FREE FRANCE: REMEMBER SYRIA?

Nazi Stooges In Japan

As in other countries, the Nazi Fifth Column in Japan relies heavily on non-German stooges and go-betweens.

Nationals from occupied territories in Europe, German vassal states and doubtful neutrals like Spain and Sweden provide a bizarre assortment of stool pions and informers, some posing as anti-Nazi, who frequent such places as hotel lobbies, summer resorts, foreign-style restaurants and bars, and the Tokyo and American clubs.

There are the sordid types, the broken-down renegades, beach-combers and bar-fies of Tokyo's foreign community, who get their hand-outs from the German Embassy.

Glamour Girls Imported

The more romantic side is provided by White Russian filles de joie imported from Shanghai and Tientsin, glamorous ladies from Central Europe and the Balkans, slightly tarnished but fertile who flit mysteriously about the Far East with ample funds, sleek Chinese bar girls and demure Japanese cafe waitresses.

Scores of ultra-nationalist Asiatics act as henchmen, go-betweens and agents provocateurs for the Nazi fifth column.

The Great Mogul of the Indian collaborators is Rash Behari Bose, head of the India Independence League in Japan, a naturalised Japanese. He fled to Japan in 1915 after attempting a number of revolutionary plots and hurling

democratic forces latent under the German dictatorship, to proclaim the peoples' war which will drain the strength of that dictatorship much as the rebellion of the Spanish people, with British support, once drained the life blood out of the Napoleonic colossus. So, at any rate, it must be intended; for no one needs to tell Mr. Churchill that this is, above all, the moment for every possible offensive effort in the West.

a bomb at and severely injuring Lord Hardinge, Viceroy of India. In still other ways, in addition to the use of non-Germans, the story of Nazi propaganda methods in Japan follows the pattern employed by German fifth columns in other countries. Its aims in Japan, however, are specialised

By Charles N. Spinks

and influenced by Japan's present position in the Pacific and the Japanese Government's present obligations under the Tripartite Alliance.

Nazi propaganda objectives, therefore, are directed toward the achievement of two principal goals:

(1) The rightist revolution which will make Japan a totalitarian vassal of the Third Reich;

(2) The promotion of a Japanese-American war by convincing Japan that southward expansion into the East Indies can be achieved without such a war.

The German Embassy in Tokyo, the fountain-head of this propaganda campaign, is assisted in this work by DNB and Transocean, the two German news agencies which deal in editorial fabrications. Both have headquarters in Tokyo. In addition, there are no less than 150 German "press representatives" stationed in Japan, as against only six correspondents from the U.S. and about three from the British Empire.

Distribute Nazi Literature

One of the principal tasks of the Nazi newspaper men is to raise the right sort of questions for Official Spokesman Ko-Ishii of the Cabinet Information Bureau during his regular press conferences and to head off too direct or embarrassing queries posed by other correspondents.

Loaded With German Books

Look at Tokyo to-day. It is sputtered with numerous pro-Axis pamphlets, works sponsored by patriotic societies or written by retired army officers (general-

ly members of the powerful Meirinkai). Go into Maruzen's Book Store at Kyobashi, Tokyo, the largest retail bookshop in Japan. Almost half the foreign book section covering the second floor is given over to German publications, mostly rank Nazi propaganda enterprises.

It is by control of the Japanese press, however, that the Nazi Fifth Column in Japan has been most successful. This was made possible by working agreements with the Home Office censors and the Kempeitai, or military police. To suppress unfavourable news is only half of this propaganda job. Of equal importance is to obtain the publication of the right kind of news. This the Germans have achieved by a number of ways.

Through what amounted to outright bribes, the Nazis have gained complete control of the "Hochi" and the "Kokumin Shimbun," third-rate Tokyo dailies. Both have carried the editorial brunt of the Fifth Column's campaign in Japan. The "Kokumin" was reached in the autumn of 1939 through its long-standing connections with the Japanese Army.

In the spring of 1938 the "Hochi" passed into the hands of a bankrupt political agitator, formerly president of the Japanese German Anti-Comintern Society, who was supplied with the necessary funds by Nazi Presseleiter Jacob Sahl.

The German fifth column unsuccessfully attempted to buy out two American-owned papers in Tokyo, the "Japan Advertiser" and "Japan News-Week." Three times the value of the latter publication, in U.S. dollars, was offered. But the American owner refused to negotiate with the Germans.

Advertiser Is Sold

Last autumn, however, the "Japan Advertiser" was sold to the Japan Times Publishing Co., controlled by the Japanese Foreign Office. Now known as the "Japan Times and Advertiser," the former American daily has been fully geared to the Nazi fifth column, despite the efforts of its able publisher, Toshio Go, to keep it a first-rate newspaper.

Shortly after the change of ownership, a special stooge was appointed to the paper's staff, a worn-out official from the Japanese diplomatic service. His task is not to see that this Japanese-owned and edited paper does not publish material harmful to Japan, but to insure that all news, editorials and photographs have the proper pro-Axis flavour. And what a time the editorial staff had composing pro-Italian headlines for the articles on Italy's defeat in Albania and Libya last winter.

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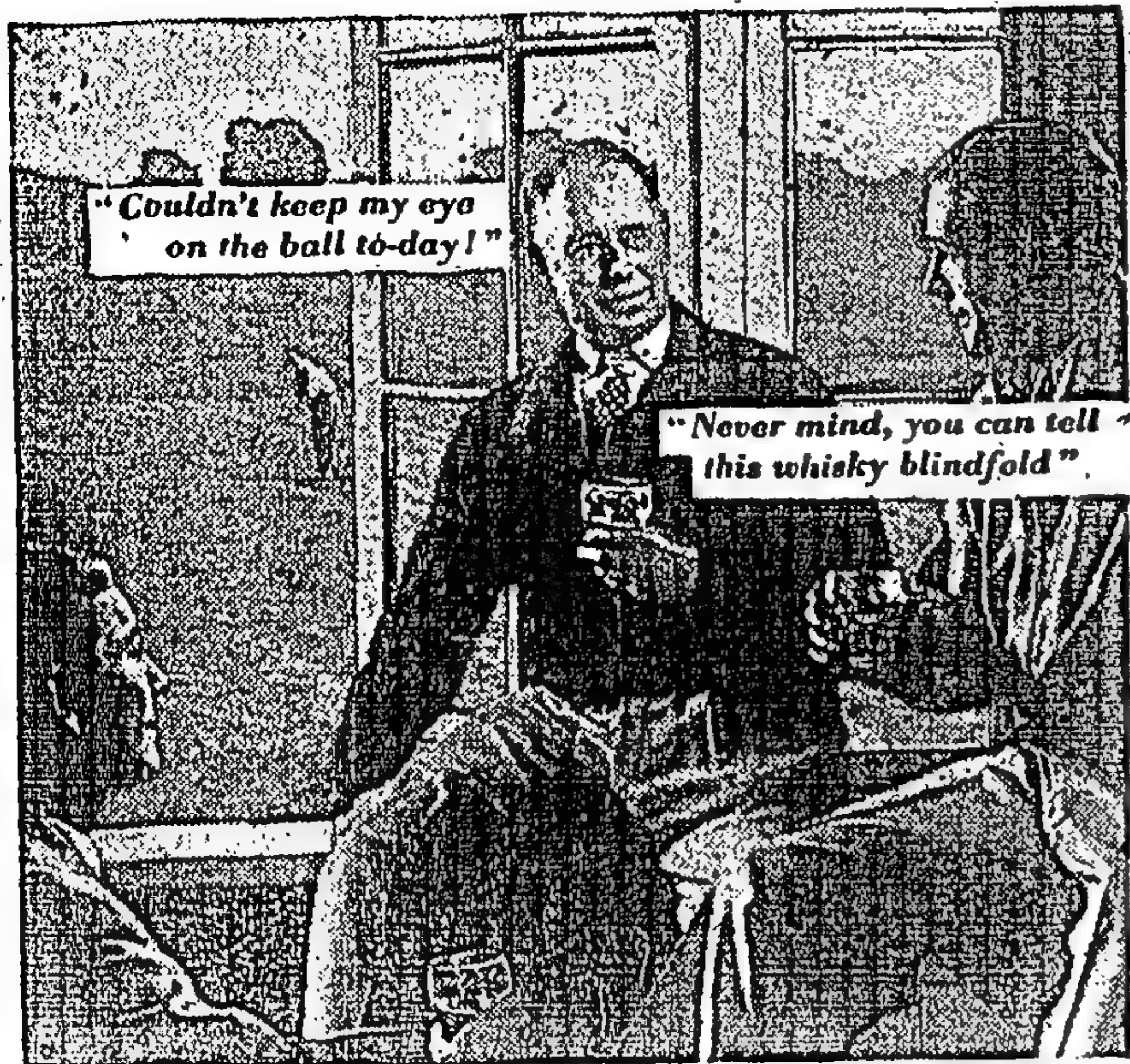
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TWO MILLION NAZI CASUALTIES IN FIRST TWO MONTHS

NEARLY 2,000,000 CASUALTIES WERE SUFFERED BY THE GERMANS IN THE FIRST TWO MONTHS OF THE WAR ON THE EASTERN FRONT, ACCORDING TO A RUSSIAN ESTIMATE ANNOUNCED BY M. LOZOVSKY FROM THE SOVIET INFORMATION BUREAU IN MOSCOW YESTERDAY.

About half of this 2,000,000 were killed, M. Lozovsky added, saying "Never in history has an army been known to suffer such losses in such a short time."

Against these losses, he continued, it was true Hitler had gained some Soviet territory but it afforded no food supplies and contained only ruined towns and villages and blown up factories.

Moreover, Hitler had to cope with guerilla warfare and the hatred of the populations in occupied regions.

Three initial points in German propaganda had been disproved by the first two months of war.

Firstly, that the Red Army was not a serious opponent.

Secondly, that Soviet industry was incapable of standing the strain.

Thirdly, that the Soviet population would welcome deliverance from a Government ruling only by force.

Exceptional Courage

The facts had shown that the Red Army was fighting with exceptional courage.

The Germans had been obliged to eat their own words about the destruction of the Red air fleet and the entire force of Red tanks.

As for the morale of the Soviet population, the German newspaper "Voelkischer Beobachter," in its issue on Wednesday, had been obliged to say: "The stubbornness of the Soviet defence can be explained in large measure by the consideration that Bolshevism during 25 years has succeeded in establishing such power that it is accepted without discussion by the masses."—Reuter.

JAPANESE COME TO SAME CONCLUSION

"The situation on the eastern front makes an attempt at invading England improbable this year," states the Berlin correspondent of the Tokyo "Asahi" in a cable to his newspaper in Tokyo yesterday, says Reuter.

Aussie Pilots In Combat

The Australian High Commissioner yesterday heard several thrilling stories from pilots of one of the first Australian fighter squadrons to operate from Britain.

One sergeant pilot told how a few days ago he had taken part in an offensive sweep and on the way back from France spotted an ME109 which was to him "easy meat."

He gave the German a few seconds of cannon and machine-gun fire and then heard a comrade warning him over the radio telephone that there were three of them diving on his tail.

"I went into a steep left hand turn and managed to get inside the Germans but one of them was coming head on at me. I can hardly remember pressing the gun button but to my horror the German came straight towards my Spitfire."

"I must have killed him with about the first shot and his ME passed about three feet over my head before it crashed."

When he landed safely at base this pilot found there was only one bullet hole in his aircraft—on a wing tip.

In little more than three weeks this squadron has destroyed 18 German fighters while there are three probables on the list. They have lost five machines.—British Wireless.

preparations. Some of the Canadians were put into blunt-nosed motor landing vessels used six months ago in the Lofoten Island raid.

Two infantry regiments went through a most strenuous drill with route marches of from 10 to 20 miles or practice in jumping from shipboard to small bobbing boats, and effecting landings on coastal areas.—British Wireless.

COAST LANDING TRAINING

Several thousand troops of the 1st Canadian Division were recently put through a strenuous week of secret training in coast assault tactics in preparation for the time when the British offensive strikes back at the Nazis in Europe.

The brigade group included infantry, engineers, artillery, machine-gun, medical and signal units. It slipped quietly away from its southern England camp area and travelled by train and boat to special training territory.

The Canadians, aided by British Army and Navy officers, learned the trying technique of assault landings on beaches and within a few days were effecting rapid landings in full battle kit.

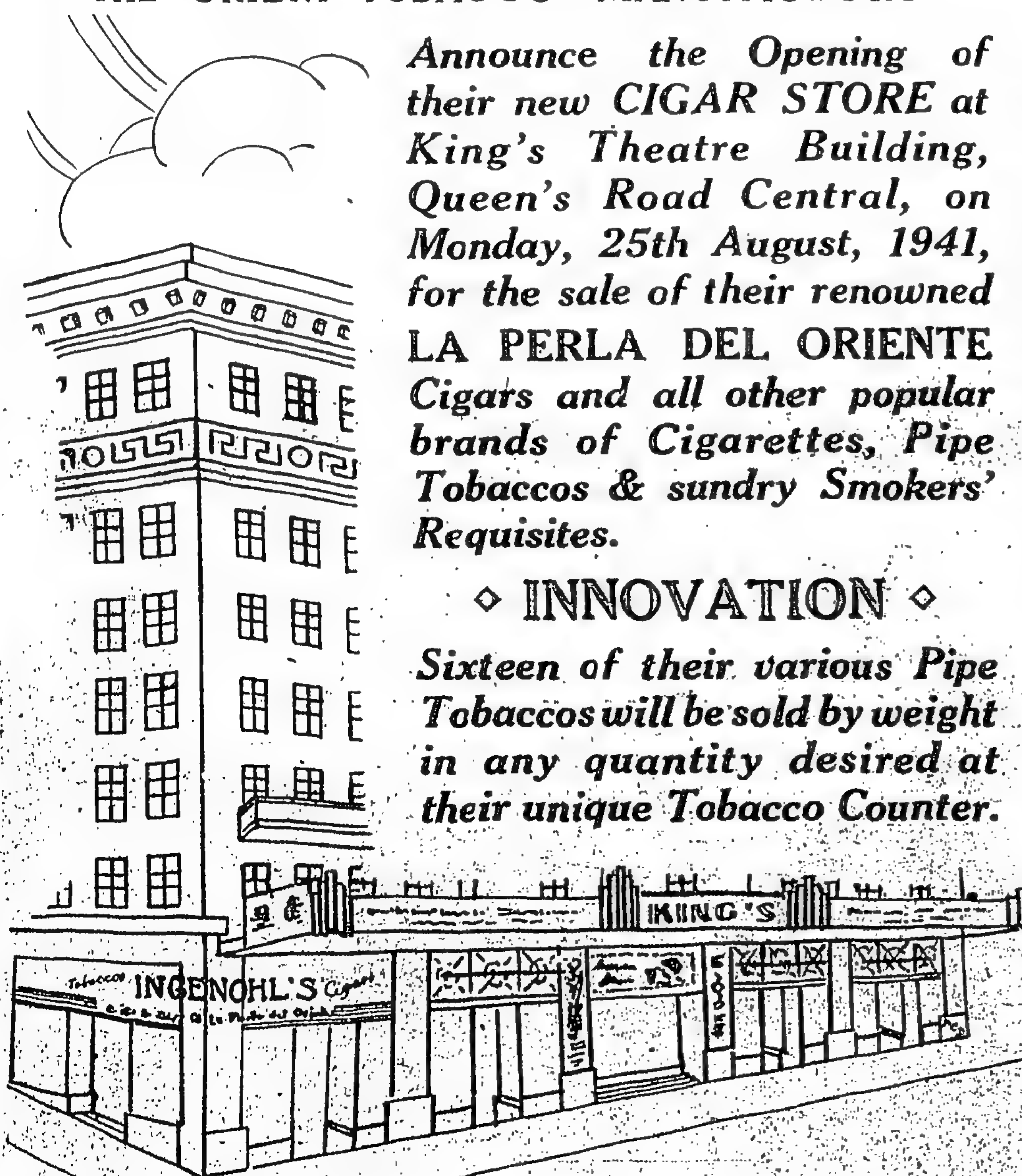
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Mackenzie King Opposes Imperial War Cabinet Idea

MR. MACKENZIE KING, Prime Minister of Canada, saw Lord Cranborne, Secretary of State for the Dominions, at the Dominions Office yesterday. He also called on Mr. Angus Macdonald, Canadian Minister of Defence, at his hotel.

A large gathering of journalists, presided over by Mr. Brendan Bracken, Minister of Information, met Mr. Mackenzie King at the Ministry of Information when he was questioned on his views about an Imperial War Cabinet.

In reply the Canadian Premier said he thought they had a most perfect and continuous conference of Cabinets that any group of nations could possibly have. It was essential to have effective means of communication between different parts.

"I have been in office for many years," said Mr. Mackenzie King, "and I say without hesitation that I cannot conceive a more effective means of communication than that which now exists."

Direct Touch

He added that as head of the Government, he received communications direct from Mr. Winston Churchill and was also able to communicate with him.

In addition, communications came almost hourly from the Dominions office, giving a complete picture of what was taking place.

Moreover, the Canadian High Commissioner in London obtained a personal account of what was going on from the Secretary of State for the Dominions from day to day, while Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, British High Commissioner in Canada, received other communications which he was able to impart personally to the Prime Minister or other Ministers of Canada.

At all times, but particularly in times of great emergency, important decisions should be made not by one man, but by the Government as a whole. Under the present arrangements, if the communication were addressed by the United Kingdom Government to the Government of Canada, the Canadian Prime Minister was able to give expression to the collective opinion of the Cabinet representing parliament and the people of Canada.

More Effective

"It might seem," went on Mr. Mackenzie King, "that some Imperial Cabinet sitting in London would be more effective in making decisions. But what is expressed to-day through the Cabinets of the Dominions is infinitely more effective in reaching quick and true decisions than any other arrangements could possibly be."

"I was present at the meeting of the War Committee of the British Cabinet to-day. I would not be in a position, on my own initiative, to say without consultation with my colleagues in Ottawa, and through them with their Service colleagues, just what was the opinion which could be given to the Government."

"That would mean cabling to the other side and getting word back before I could communicate. It is very much easier to give the Cabinet opinion by being able to discuss it with my colleagues in all the phases and thus represent it to the Government here as the collective opinion."

Mr. Mackenzie King said that there had never been a time when relations had been closer than they were to-day, nor when they had less in the way of differences between them.

No Differences

There had never been a single point of difference, on any essential matter since the beginning of the war, between the Canadian and United Kingdom Governments. In the last war differences arose continuously between the Governments and between military and civil authorities. In this war there had not been any difference between military and

civil authorities, or between the Governments themselves.

The reason was that before any important step had been taken, the Dominions had been consulted and had been able to express their views and a general consensus had been reached as a result.—Reuter.

LONDON WAR CONFERENCE

AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IS TO BE HELD IN LONDON IN THE NEAR FUTURE AND IT CAN BE ASSUMED THAT THE CHURCHILL-ROOSEVELT EIGHT-POINT DECLARATION WILL ENGAGE THE ATTENTION OF THE MEETING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS.

First meeting of this kind was held in London on June 12 and it will be recalled that the third paragraph of the resolution then adopted was not only consistent with the Churchill-Roosevelt declaration but might almost be considered as a summary of the points made.

Steady development of Allied policy for the post-war period is regarded as a guarantee that all powers fighting Nazi Germany realise the importance of a world settlement which will bring not only political but also economic and industrial peace through the cooperation of freedom loving peoples.—British Wireless.

IRANIAN POSITION NOT SATISFACTORY

The written reply of the Iranian Government to the representations made by the British and Soviet Governments in regard to the presence in Iran of the excessive number of German nationals has not so far been received in London although it is expected very shortly.

Preliminary indications of its nature, derived from oral communications from the Iranian authorities concerned, have, however, not given a favourable impression of the Iranian Government's attitude.—British Wireless.

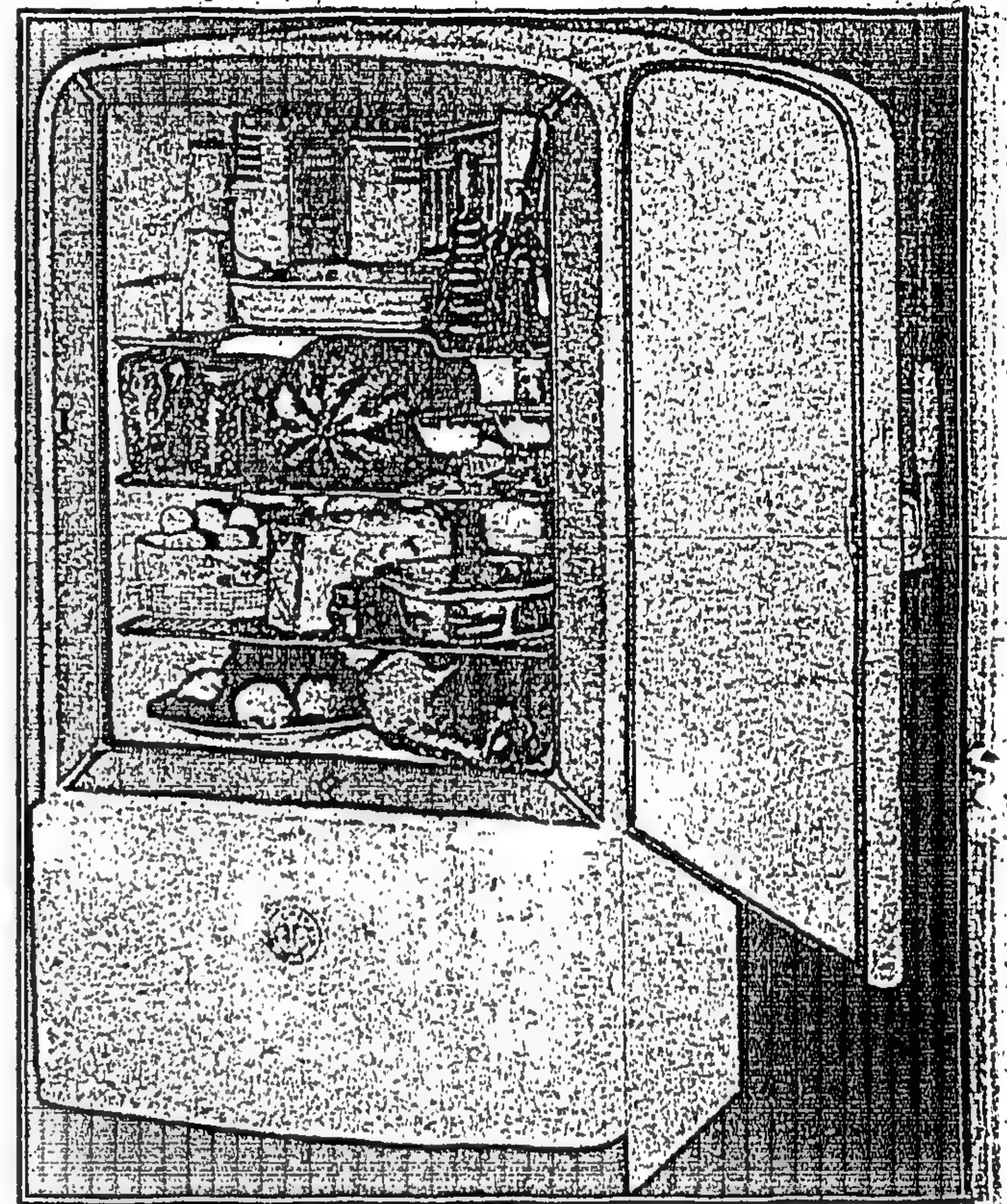
POTENTIAL CHINA AIR PILOTS

One hundred and twenty Chinese volunteers from Singapore have been sent to Manila by the Chinese Government for air training by American experts, according to Shanghai Chinese reports.

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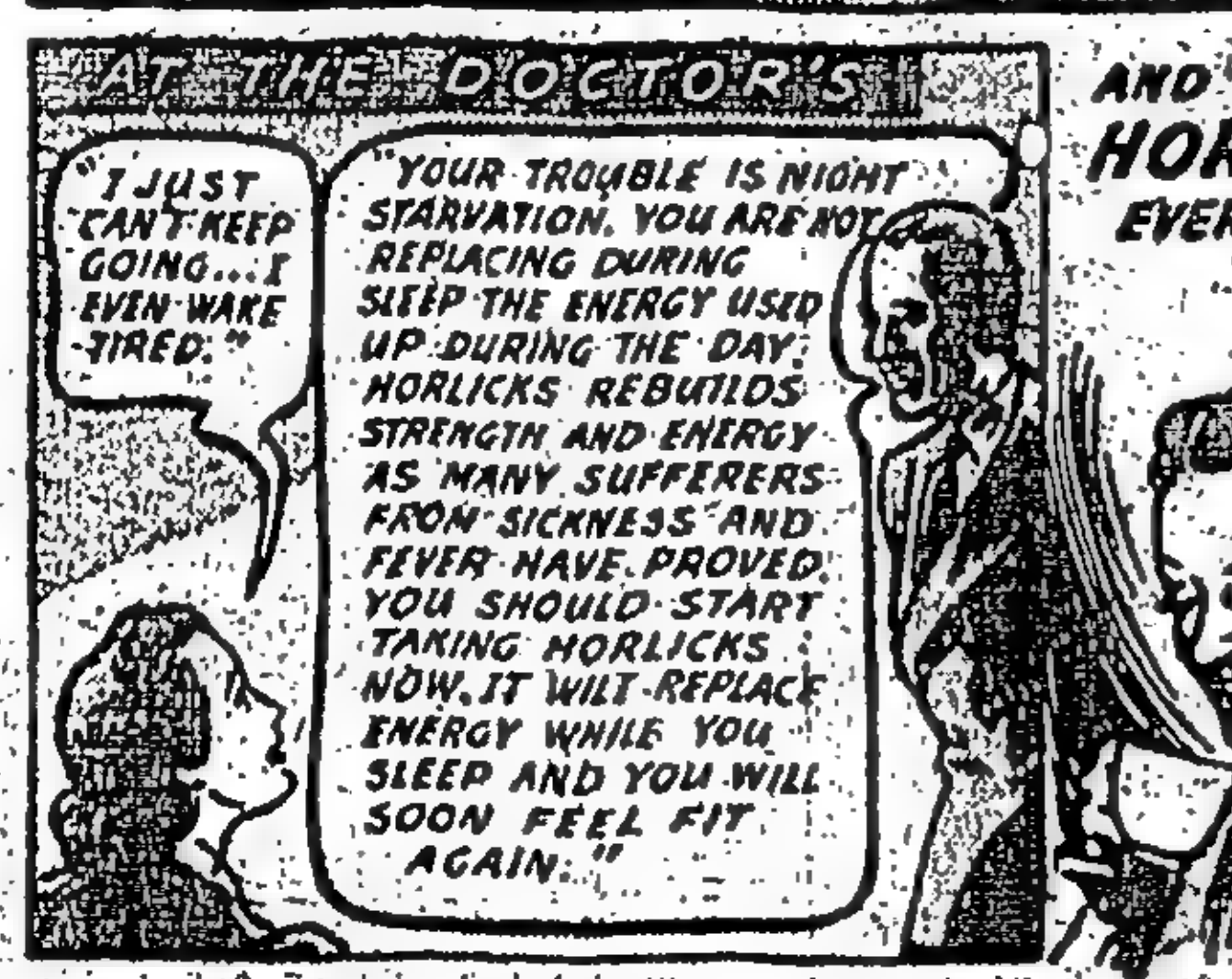
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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.—John Cross and The Cathedral Male Voice Quartet and The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

10.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 p.m.—Humorous and Vocal Variety.

Vocal—If I Knew Then (Jurgens, Howard).

Tumbling Tumbleweeds (Nolan).

Bing Crosby with J. S. Trotter and His Orchestra.

Comedienne—Clarettes, Cigars (Gordon and Ravel).

More Impersonations of Marlene Dietrich, Tallulah Bankhead and Greta Garbo.

Florence Desmond with Orch.

Vocal—Imagination (Burke, Van Housen).

I Can't Love You Any More (Mugison, Wrubel).

Babe Daniels with Orchestra.

Humorous—The Old School Tie.

A. H. Goughs (Kenneth and George Western).

The Western Brothers.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Derek Oldham (Tenor) and Symphony Orchestra.

"Coppella"—Variations (Delibes).

Symphony Orchestra cond. by Schmalstieg.

Whisper In Your Dreams (From film "Melody of my Heart"—Levine).

Derek Oldham with Orchestra.

Midnight Rose (F. D'Erlanger).

Symphony Orchestra cond. by Barbirolli.

Violets (Wright).

Little Grey Home In The West (Loehr).

Derek Oldham with Piano, Violin and Cello.

Schubert Waltzes (Schubert).

Symphony Orchestra cond. by Walter Goehr.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 p.m.—Sibelius—Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 43.

1st Mov.: Allegretto.

2nd Mov.: Tempo Andante, ma rubato.

3rd Mov.: Vivacissimo.

4th Mov.: Finale (Allegro moderato).

Serge Koussevitzky and The Boston Symphony Orchestra.

7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Programme.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 p.m.—London Relay—'Listening Post.'

Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.

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8.32 p.m.—Studio—Piano Recital by Harry Ore.

1. Symphonic Studies (Schumann).

2. Legend—"St. Francis Paulus Marching On The Waves (Liszt).

3. (a) At Evening (Ludw. Schutte); (b) By The Cradle (Ed. Grieg); (c) Etude in C (Cyril Scott).

9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 p.m.—An Hour of Variety Requests.

Vocal—Perhaps (from film "Nice Girl"—Franchetti). Deanna Durbin with Orchestra.

Vocal—Trees (Kilmer—Rasbach). Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orch.

Waltz—Roses From The South (Strauss). Marek Weber & his Orchestra.

Vocal—Too Romantic (from film "The Road to Singapore"). Dorothy Lamour with Orchestra.

Vocal—Mexican Rose (Helea Stone—Jack Tenney). Bing Crosby with Orchestra.

Vocal—Gene—Snow White & The Seven Dwarfs—Selection Jay Wilbur & his Orchestra.

Vocal—I'm Nobody's Baby (Davis, Ager, Santley). Anne Shelton with Instrumental accomp.

Humorous—Golf Clapham and Dwyer (The Radio Favourites).

Vocal—Two Dreams Met (from film "Down Argentine Way"). Korney Baker with Orchestra.

Vocal—America, I Love You (Edgar Leslie—Arlene Gutter). Barry Wood (Baritone) with Orchestra.

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—Variety Requests (Continued).

Vocal—Down By The O-Hio (Olinia, Yellen). The Andrews Sisters with Orchestra.

Orchestral—Girl Of The Golden West—Selection. Anton & The Paramount Theatre Orchestra.

Vocal—Old Folks At Home (from film "Nice Girl"—S. Foster). Deanna Durbin with Orchestra.

10.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 p.m.—Request Dance Music.

Quick-Step—The Ferry Boat Serenade.

The New Mayfair Dance Orch.

Fox-Trot—Keep An Eye On Your Heart. Joe Richman & his Orch.

Samba—I, Yi, Yi, Yi, Yi. Leo Reisman & his Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—South Of Pago-Pago (from the film). Ray Kinney & his Hawaiian Musical Ambassadors.

Fox-Trot—Only Forever (from film "Rhythm on the River"). Billy Cotton & his Band.

Tango—They Met In Rio! Rumba—Chica Chica Boom Chic (both from film "They Met In Rio"). Leo Reisman & his Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—Chatterbox (from film "That's Right, I'm Wrong"). Ambrose & his Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—The Gaucho Serenade. Roy Smeck & his Hawaiian Serenaders.

Fox-Trot—I Love A Lassie. Music in the Russ Morgan Manner.

Fox-Trot—You Lucky People You (from film "Road To Zanzibar"). Tommy Dorsey & his Orch.

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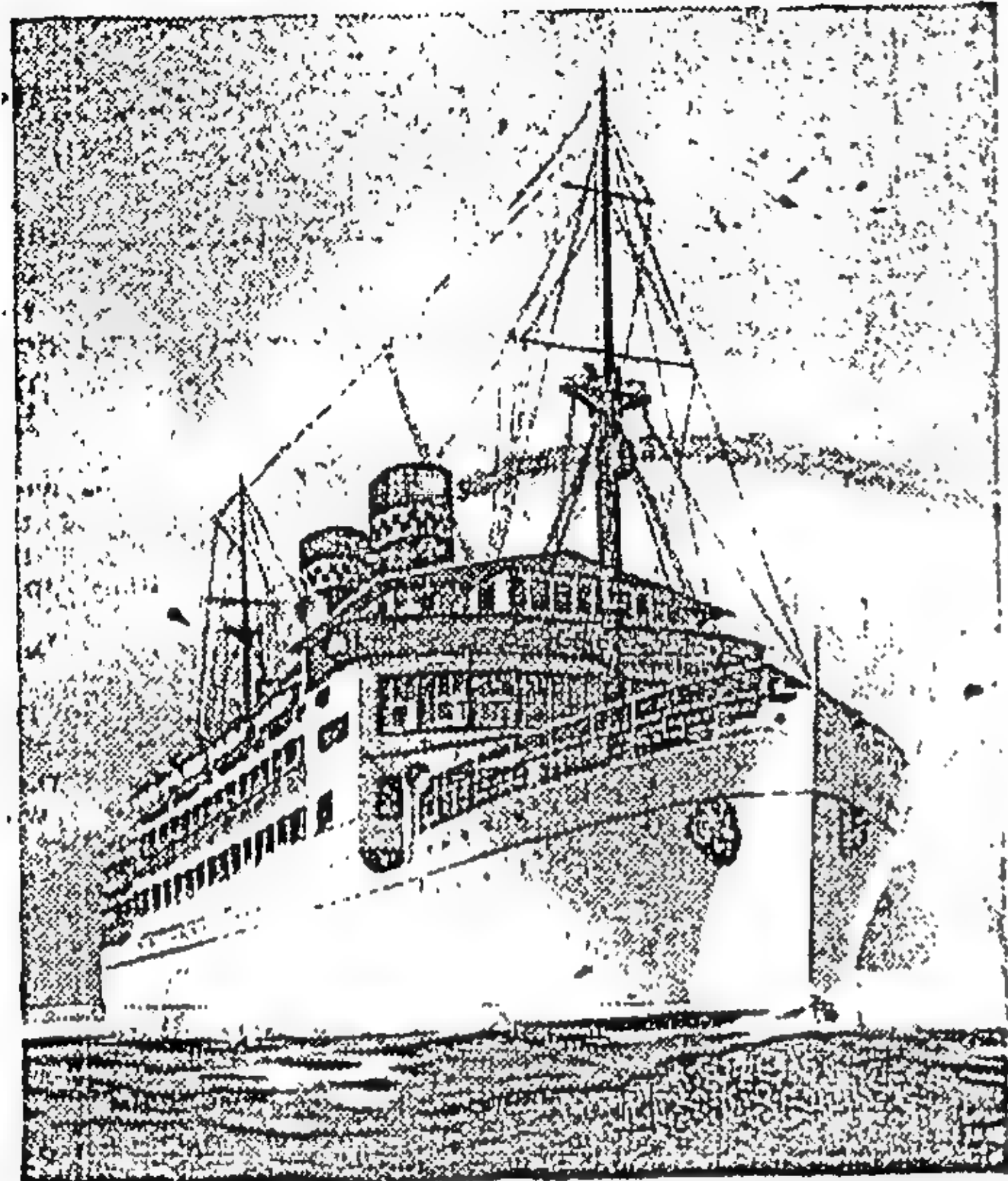
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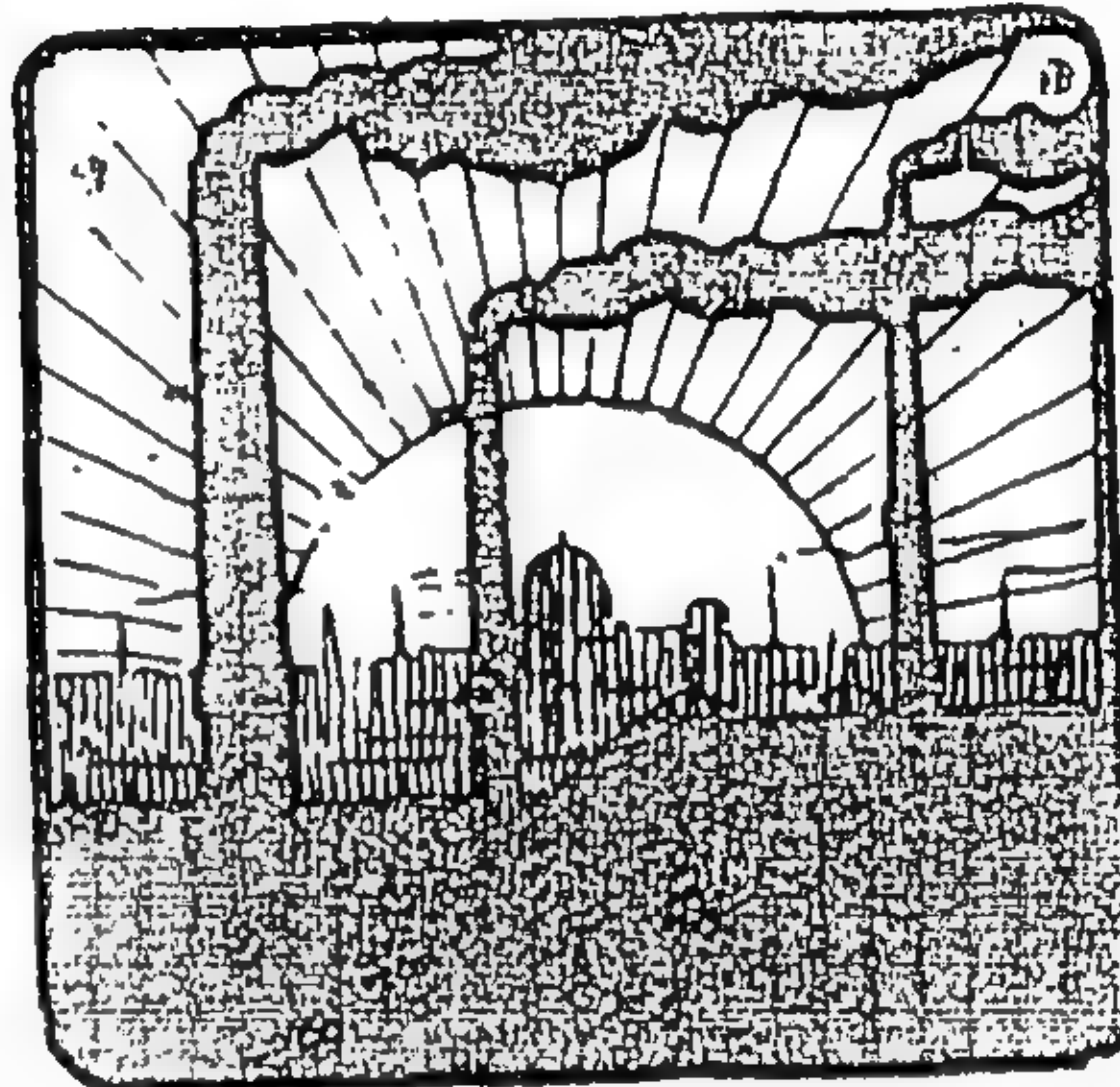
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ROSSELET TOUCHES HIS BEST FORM TO SECURE BIGGEST WIN

By "Skip"

TAIKOO CLUB CAUSED ONE OF THE BIG UPSETS OF THE SEASON WHEN THEY HAD AN ALL-CLEAR VICTORY OVER KOWLOON TONG IN SECOND DIVISION OF THE LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE LAST SATURDAY. THIS RESULT GAVE KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB THE CHANCE, WHICH THEY GRABBED WITH FOUR FINGERS, TO CONSOLIDATE THEIR POSITION AT THE HEAD OF AFFAIRS, WHERE THEY NOW HAVE A FIVE-POINT LEAD.

In First Division the three leading teams won and Craigengower's clear win over Kowloon Bowling Green Club "B" makes them still surer—if that were necessary—of the championship, in which Club de Recreio must inevitably be the runners-up. Civil Servants unexpectedly beat Kowloon Dock at Hung Hom to leave Kowloon Bowling Green Club "B" firmly ensconced at the bottom of the League, whilst Indians were at last beaten at Sookunpoo, where they prove so deadly.

In Third Division Police continued to challenge strongly, but the promotion question here will not be settled until the postponed games, of which they have a surplus, are played off after the end of the official programme. Like their premier team, they had a five-point victory, whilst the Electricians had a useful win over Kowloon Football Club, the youthful "Dan" Gardner inflicting a heavy defeat on "Bob" Ogden, present leader in the skip's table.

CHARLIE Rosset's rink had the luckiest win of the day, when they beat Joe Meyer's four by nearly a couple of dozen shots. Only John Gill of the home four showed good form, especially so in the latter part of the game, and his play enabled the home-ates to hold their own over the last 10 heads.

"Donna" Razack was outbowling Herbert Bicknell, who was right off, whilst "Wardie," though he fell off, could do nothing wrong when the visitors were running into their lead of 25-2. Joe Landolt was better than Gill up to this stage, whilst Charlie Rosset played an inspired game.

A singleton followed by a count of 6, in which Landolt sprung the jack to his own woods, gave Rosset's rink a flying start and they shortly followed up with a couple of fives and a two, then two 3s. Meyer was poor most of the time.

It was this big margin which must have eased the minds of the other two visiting skips, who were by no means having things their own way for half the game. Omar being down quite a bit at that stage and Bradbury only just up.

Len Sykes' four held Omar's very well all through, only the brilliance and added experience of the visitor saving the game—all square at the eighteenth the visiting rink chalked up one on each of the remaining ends.

"Bud" Rogers played a really good game for Sykes, and it is no exaggeration to say that he beat E. S. Franks, deputising for "K. M.", who went three in the absence of Dick Bass, and was quite useful, but "K. M." was hardly aggressive enough against Percy Peckham. Sykes drew as well as U. M. Omar for the most part.

Securing a nap hand when in the lead by only a singleton, Bradbury never looked back against Lockhart and eventually won by 11 shots. His lead, Joe Leonard, was good, he and Souza having the better of their opponents mostly.

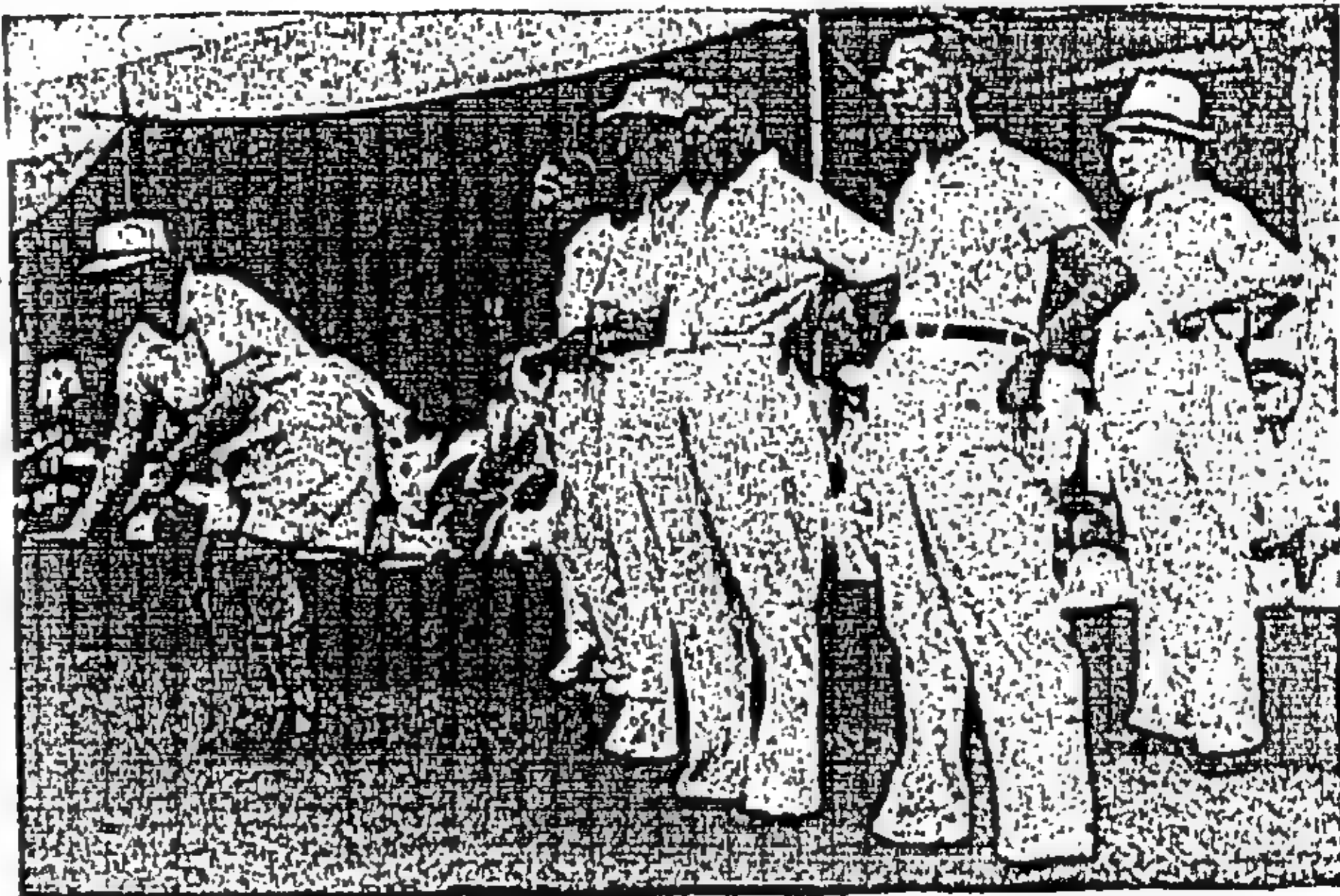
Bower Does Well In "A" Team Debut

IN the other game at Austin Road, the home team won quite comfortably, although Tommy Madar did very well to beat Bob Duncan to save a point. Major Parsons was good as two to Madar, who was probably the best man on view. Jack McKelvie drew some nice shots but, like Duncan, he was not consistent. R. P. Phillips played well to hold Bert Guest as lead.

Art Hall had the better of Norman Bobbington's rink, although it was not the latter's fault that he lost, for he was once again in good form. Hall had a new three in "Buster" Bower, who did very well on his first appearance in this team, but it was Harry

SHANGHAI BOWLS

Lusitano Reds are at the top of the Shanghai Lawn Bowls League and have virtually won the championship for the season, having obtained 22 points out of a possible 25. Their nearest rivals are Shanghai Recreation Club, who scored 14½ points out of a possible 25. In Second Division Shanghai Lawn Bowls Club lead with 23 points out of 25, with Hongkew Golf Club a close second (20 points out of 25.)



B. W. Bradbury, No. 3 to U. M. Omar, about to send down a wood in last Sunday's game, when Omar's rink (A. M. and K. M. Omar were the other two members) beat R. Bass, A. E. Coates, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Rosset 22-13 in the Colony Lawn Bowls Rinks Championship. Rosset's four, the holders, found they were playing against U. M. Omar at his best and could not cope with him. In the above picture, from left to right, are Bradbury, Landolt (towel in hand), Coates, (with hat) K. M. Omar, A. M. Omar (with glasses) and R. Bass.

BAD START CAUSE OF K. TONG COLLAPSE

By "Skip"

Kowloon Tong surprised all the critics by their collapse, for such it was, at Taikoo, only Jimmy Kew making anything of a fight of it. The home team literally jumped into a lead, for they were a dozen to the good after 5 heads, and the suburbanites did not seem able to rally at all.

Jim Watson, opposed to Spud Spary, had the biggest win and, I hear, the whole rink played consistently to achieve this result. Stephens scored singles at the last five ends against the all-Scottish rink skipped by Willie Melrose, who won by half a dozen, but Jimmy Chalmers needed a brace to tie at the 20th before he ran out with a four on the last head.

McKay and Scott put in some useful woods for the visiting skip.

Curious Incident At Sookunpoo

CLUB de Recreio "A" achieved what no other club has hitherto done—they beat the Indians at Sookunpoo, despite the fact that their line-up was considerably altered. But the home team were considerably weakened by the presence of at least two, if not more reserves.

M. R. Abbas, for the first time this season, did not draw what I heard called the crazy rink—nothing disparaging to the Club is meant.

Minu had it this time and he mastered it well, though he had not nearly enough support from his front men.

There was a peculiar incident on the last head but one. The jack had been sprung towards the road side tape and Minu had to draw to it. He did so but his wood went into the SIDE ditch. His third man then told him, with his next wood, to take his green from the other side of the jack—a sort of minus quantity of green!

Chico Ribeiro never had much to worry about against Abbas and, leading all the way, he eventually got home by well over a dozen, but Dick Alves, in spite of good play by Jackie Noronha, lost his 100 per cent. record. Khan was the strong man on Dallas's side, though he was slow to start.

NO SWEEP THIS WEEK

There is no draw this week in the Lawn Bowls sweep. It will be made next week.

Nimmo put two perfect woods down on this head, no one else altering the lay until Hilton landed a couple of counting-stoppers, one on each hand. Kew tried hard to squeeze inside but missed twice very narrowly.

10 Shots At Last Couple Of Heads

PRISON Officers may think themselves unlucky to lose all five points to Hong Kong Football Club as a result of being only eight shots down, but it is only fair to the home team to mention that the visitors gained 10 in the last couple of heads.

Kenneth Robertson always had a lead on Bill Bagley, though he got in by only 3 shots. His lead, R. P. Shaw, has not yet found his erstwhile form, but he put in some useful ones, as did his stable companion C. B. Robertson.

McCutcheon took a lead of 8-3 against Willie Macfarlane, but the latter's men then rallied round well to turn the tables, 16 shots in 5 heads doing the trick, though McCutcheon chalked up a 4 and then a 3 on the last couple of ends.

Walter Gill's score card against Gowland tells almost the same story—3-11 down then 23-12 with a 7 shot rally to Gowland at the finish.

Brown And Davies In Great Form

KOWLOON Football Club beat Hong Kong Cricket Club by a wide margin, yet Bill Field lost his unbeaten record by a single shot to A. W. Brown, who played an excellent game throughout and was, together with Dai Davies, mainly responsible for the point. The latter held Ben Evans, opposing lead, quite comfortably but any advantage gained was negated by Arthur Dand, Field's second man.

Percy Younghusband was again in good form against Frank Goodwin and always had the lead. Tony Lauslev had the better of George Aitkenhead, though the latter played well enough, but Tony Rowell made up some of the leeway for Goodwin, who was the best of his four.

Ernie Kern's four were all over George Costello's rink right from the start—the chief credit for which must be given to Walter Nart, who came right back on to his game of last year. Actually Costello did catch up at one time, but he never scored afterwards, being stuck on Number 11 for no less than 10 ends. Very disheartening.

Successive Fives

CRAIGENGOWER secured five points from Club de Recreio and were never in any difficulty, highlight being two fives in succession to Tommy Lock against "Spotty" Pereira, who in spite of these lost but narrowly.

W. S. Glendinning, former Police bowler and now in retirement in Australia, is playing bowls regularly at "Pinewood" Club, Sydney, which has 15 rinks.

WALLIS SAVES K.B.G.C.

By "Skip"

Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Third Division leaders, were hard put to it to beat Hong Kong Cricket Club at Chater Road, only Wallis winning to carry the day.

His rink had a merry time, at the expense of Edgar Abraham, who could not get going at all. Tug Wilson was in fine form for Wallis, as was Johnny Dinnen, his second man, but Ted Thompson was shaky, which left his skip plenty to do. He did it.

Alec McKellar and Len Jordan were evenly matched all the way, but the home skip just scraped home on the last two ends, when he chalked up 3 shots.

"Sammy" Shields was leading well for Cassey, and was able to better J. A. Fraser, who is very sound. The home skip was useful, as was Hughie Nish, of whose third man I have directly opposite reports. In any case it was not Ted Searle, his regular three, in spite of what the signed card says—it was Joe Henson. Oh, these twos and their idea of keeping cards!

Gaddi Fails To Impress As Skip

THERE must have been great joy in the Police Club on Saturday when the news of their double win was received. Joe Carey, who is forming a collection of sixes, absolutely swamped Dr. Karanjia, who had poor support from his right hand man, I believe. He was up against a good man in Chantling though.

Gaddi, who finds it difficult on account of his duties to play away from the Valley, tried his hand at skipping in this division, but he was up against too wily an exponent in Aitken to impress—he lacks experience of a skip's play.

Alec Soutar and Macdonald were the best of their side against Herbert Randall, who was not up to his best though he got a good "do or die" drive at the last end to secure a three. George Ladd was his best man.

Yvanovich Has Belated Win

PLETO Yvanovich must have had a rest at Fanling as, after a thin time, he came back to winning form and re-established himself almost to "D" class! He was up against U. H. Rumlahn, whose play rather impressed me when I saw him, but he had some promising front men in E. Cunha and Gus Gutierrez. Mike Mendonca also won, "S. M." being his victim, but Al O. Madar got the better of M. F. Finn after leading comfortably all the game.

Gardner's Rink Should Be Kept Intact

ADMITTEDLY, Kowloon Football Club's team is not very strong, but I was surprised to see them go down so badly to the Electricians—but not as amazed as I was at Gardner's huge win over Ogden. I cannot think what came over the latter, unless it was the hazard of having A. N. Other playing for him. I hope the latter is a member of an affiliated club anyhow! "Dart" Gardner is full of confidence and enthusiasm, so it is hoped this happy rink can stay together till the end of the season.

Jim Lunny had a close struggle with Claude Woodcock before just emerging the winner, but Chris Downman saved a point at the expense of Sloan, for whom I wrote so favourably last week.

L. A. Collyer, Civil Service bowler, is back from a leave spent in Australia.



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Unless they are previously played, postponed Lawn Bowls League fixtures have been rearranged as follows:

September 13

First Division: Police v. Craigengower; K.B.G.C. "A" v. C.S.C.C.; K.B.G.C. "B" v. Indian R.C.; K. Dockes v. Recreio "B".

Second Division: Prison O.C. v. Hong Kong C.C.; Taikoo v. Kowloon C.C.; Craigengower v. Kowloon F.C.

Third Division: Hong Kong C.C. v. Police; Kowloon F.C. v. Electric; Indian R.C. v. Recreio.

September 20

First Division: Indian R.C. v. K. Dockes; Craigengower v. K.B.G.C. "B"; Police v. Recreio "B"; Recreio "A" v. C.S.C.C.

Second Division: Recreio v. Craigengower; Hong Kong C.C. v. Kowloon F.C.; K. Tong v. Taikoo.

Third Division: Craigengower v. Police; Hong Kong C.C. v. Kowloon F.C.; Electric v. Indian R.C.

September 27

First Division: Recreio "A" v. Indian R.C.; C.S.C.C. v. Kowloon Dockes; K.B.G.C. "B" v. Kowloon C.C.; K.B.G.C. "A" v. Police.

Second Division: Kowloon C.C. v. Recreio; Craigengower v. Hong Kong C.C.; Kowloon F.C. v. K. Tong; Taikoo v. Prison O.C.

Third Division: Police v. K.B.G.C.

October 4

First Division: Indian R.C. v. Craigengower; Kowloon C.C. v. Recreio "B".

Second Division: Prison O.C. v. Recreio; K. Tong v. Hong Kong C.C.; Craigengower v. Taikoo.

Third Division: Kowloon F.C. v. Police.

October 11

Second Division: Taikoo v. Recreio. By mutual arrangement, any of the above fixtures may be played off before the dates fixed on Sundays or holidays.

Other Bowls On
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BASA RETURNS TO CRAIGENGOWER TEAM FOR TO-MORROW'S GAME

WITH THE RETURN OF BASA TO THE TEAM, CRAIGENGOWER CRICKET CLUB ARE MAKING TWO CHANGES IN THEIR FIRST DIVISION LAWN BOWLS TEAM THIS WEEK-END.

Bradbury's rink, and also that of Rossetti, will be the same as last week, but in Omar's four Basa returns to his usual position of No. 3, so that K. M. Omar, who filled the breach last week, will go back to his normal No. 2 position. Franks, who played in that berth last week, returns to the Third Division team.

In the Second Division Gaddi will take over Coello's place as one of the skips with Xavier, Roza and Lammert as his front men. Last week Coello had the same men in the first two positions, but Baptista was No. 3.

Baptista will be No. 2 to Way, whose rink is otherwise unchanged. Modi, who played in this position last week, returns to the Third Division. In Luck's four Ladd will take over Zimmerman's place at No. 3.

Franks will skip the rink in Third Division that was led by Randall last week. The latter goes up to No. 3, to fill the place that was then taken by the promoted Ladd. Karanilla will have Houndridge and Alves as Nos. 1 and 2 respectively instead of Delgado and Pau, while the third rink will comprise Todd, Lee, Modi and Medina as against J. K. Pavri, Alves, Lammert and Gaddi last week.

K. Tong Unchanged

KOWLOON Tong are making no changes in their team for tomorrow's Second Division League bowls match against Kowloon Football Club, all of last week's players being on view again.

CIVIL SERVICE Cricket Club are making a few changes against Club de Recreo. "A" Rakusen's four is left intact, but the other two rinks are as follows, as compared with those of last week, given in brackets: Gellatly, Deakin, Simmonds, McGowan (Gellatly, Deakin, McGowan and Burling) and Crawley, Colledge, Purvis and Hillyer (Harper, Colledge, Hillyer and Simmonds).

TAIKOO are not making any changes in their team this week, all those who took part in their clean sweep win over Kowloon Tong last Saturday being available again to-morrow.

PRISON OFFICERS Club are making quite a few changes for their match to-morrow against Tai Koo Dock. In

Gowland's rink all the front men have been changed except Hudson, who goes from No. 2 to No. 3. The first two places will be filled by Shaw and Griddle, who take over from Webber and Hudson. McGrath, who was No. 3 last week, will not be playing to-morrow.

Freeman, who was No. 3 to McCutcheon last week, moves to No. 1, where Shaw played last week, and his own place at No. 3 will be taken by Foster. Bagley's rink will include Robertson at No. 2 in place of Harrop.

Following are the selected teams:

CRAIGENGOWER

First Division (v Indian Recreation Club, home):—J. W. Leonard, L. C. R. Souza, A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury (skip); A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, R. Basa and U. M. Omar (skip); A. A. Razack, W. Ward, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Rossetti (skip).

Second Division (v Hong Kong Cricket Club, away):—S. R. Solina, W. J. Curd, G. S. Ladd and T. Lock (skip); Li Shwing, M. A. Baptista, D. A. Ruzario and W. K. Way (skip); J. H. Xavier, L. M. Roza, L. E. Lammert and L. Gaddi (skip).

Third Division (v Hong Kong Football Club, home):—W. E. Broadbridge, A. F. S. Alves, Dr. C. W. Lam and Dr. N. P. Karanilla (skip); E. J. Todd, F. Lee, F. K. Modi and M. J. Medina (skip); R. K. Pavri, S. Leonard, H. W. Randall and E. S. Fong (skip).

KOWLOON TONG

Second Division (v Kowloon Football Club, home):—H. A. Castro, A. Madar, J. Smith and A. J. Kew (skip); N. A. E. MacLay, Y. H. Tang, J. N. Wong and J. L. Stephens (skip); H. Gittins, M. S. Phoon, A. E. Castro and A. Spary (skip). Reserve: J. Tang.

CIVIL SERVICE

First Division (v Club de Recreo "A", home):—J. Gellatly, J. W. Deakin, E. W. C. Simmonds and J. F. McGowan (skip); H. McKay, M. Scott, V. S. Ebbage and M. N. Rakusen (skip); P. D. Crawley, W. H. E. Colledge, M. E. Purvis and W. R. Hillyer (skip).

TAIKOO

Second Division (v Prison Officers, away):—J. Nimmo, F. Thomson, F. Hillon and J. C. Chalmers (skip); L. A. Gibson, D. Coull, C. Bovald and J. A. Watson (skip); W. G. McKie, W. Cunningham, R. Main and W. Melrose (skip). Reserves: A. MacArthur, S. J.

MARSHALL'S BID FOR TRIPLE CROWN

Now from the Shanghai bowls world to the effect that Alce Marshall, who is still figuring in the three competitions—singles, pairs and rinks—which have already reached the 4th Round stage—has a very good chance of carrying off the triple crown, a feat which has only been accomplished by R. C. Altkenhead.

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ROSARIO AND LANDOLT WIN 20-17

Three games in the Fourth Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs Championship were scheduled to be decided yesterday, but only one was played, the other two being postponed.

At Civil Service Cricket Club, D. A. Rosario and J. S. Landolt beat A. E. P. Guest and T. A. Madar by 3 shots.

The winners started off in great style, scoring 1 0 4 1 0 0 2 1 4 before being blanked for three ends to lead 13-8 at the 12th. They increased this to 16-8 at the 14th, but 2 0 4 by Madar took the score to 17-14 at the 17th, Landolt scoring 1 2 before conceding like number to finish up 20-17.

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PRISON O.C.

Second Division (v Tai Koo, home):—V. H. Freeman, W. J. McCutcheon, G. B. Foster and J. McCutcheon (skip); G. I. Shaw, R. J. Grindley, J. W. Hudson and C. Gowland (skip); A. W. Hircok, R. C. Robertson, J. W. Fitzgerald and W. J. Bagley (skip).

C.B.A. LOSE 9-0 BUT IT WAS TENNIS OF A REFRESHING NATURE

By "Incog."

DURING THE PAST TEN DAYS OR SO, I HAVE WATCHED TWO "NEEDLE" LEAGUE TENNIS MATCHES, AND THOUGH BOTH OF THESE EVENTUALLY TURNED OUT TO BE ONE-SIDED AFFAIRS, THE ATMOSPHERE WAS, NEVERTHELESS, QUITE TENSE THROUGHOUT THE NINE SETS PLAYED.

Yesterday, by way of a change, I made the trip to the very pleasant Chinese Recreation Club ground, and as a reward I was treated to some very refreshing, if not first class, tennis. The Chinese were entertaining Central British Association in a Fourth Division League match and won by 9 sets to 0.

The game, however, was extremely enjoyable, and more closely contested, incidentally, than the scores would indicate. It was a pleasant surprise to find Syd. Fowler, who had only the day before returned from a spell of leave in Australia, playing League tennis so soon. And if he has not as yet found his hand legs, there was nothing to show for it in his tennis.

In Tak-lam, who has just shaken off the effects of a long bout of ill-health, paired up with K. M. Wong, and played accurate tennis in which he was well-supported by his partner, but outstanding for the winners was T. F. Choi. "Bicky" Bickford and Norman Whitley might have won a set for their side if they had not sacrificed accuracy for hard-hitting which, unfortunately, all too often found the ball landing in the far beyond.

Smith was steady throughout, but his steadiness was somewhat discounted by the inclination of his partner, Tomashevsky, to have a bang at every-

thing. In fairness, however, I must say that Tomashevsky did bring off a few very good shots, one vicious cross-court drive in the last set being particularly noteworthy.

Scores were:—

K. M. Wong and Lu Tak-lam (C.R.C.) beat D. Smith and D. Tomashevsky 6-2
beat S. Fowler and N. Smith 6-3
beat B. Bickford and N. Whitley 6-4
T. F. Choi and C. N. Taang (C.R.C.) beat Smith and Tomashevsky 6-3
beat Fowler and Smith 6-3
beat Bickford and Whitley 6-3
Chan Yim and Y. W. Chung (C.R.C.) beat Smith and Tomashevsky 6-4
beat Fowler and Smith 6-1
beat Bickford and Whitley 6-1

A Close Finish

At Caroline Hill, Post Office Recreation Club (2) beat Jewish Recreation Club by 5½ sets to 3½.

Howlett and W. G. Morrison (P.O.R.C.)

beat S. R. Ramler and B. Godkin 6-3

beat A. Poliak and M. Talan 6-3

beat E. Whitgob and A. Odell 6-2

A. G. MacPherson and Y. S. Fung (P.O.R.C.)

beat Ramler and Godkin 6-4

drew with Poliak and Talan 6-6

beat Whitgob and Odell 6-3

S. K. Chin and C. C. Lam (P.O.R.C.)

lost to Ramler and Godkin 0-6

lost to Poliak and Talan 0-6

lost to Whitgob and Odell 5-7

Table To Date

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
S.C.A.A.	10	10	0	0	74	18	20
C.C.C.	10	9	1	0	72½	17½	18
C.R.C.	10	8	2	0	63½	26½	16
F.C.	10	7	3	0	58	29	14
A.T.C.	9	4	4	1	45	38	9
I.R.C.	9	4	4	1	23½	47½	9
P.O.R.C. (1)	10	4	6	0	40	50	8
C.B.A.	8	2	6	0	23½	45½	4
P.O.R.C. (2)	9	2	7	0	19½	61½	4
J.R.C.	10	1	9	0	29½	60½	2
K.I.T.C.	9	0	9	0	7½	73½	0

Promoter Mike Jacobs has revealed that Joe Louis will join the United States Army if he loses his world's heavyweight title to Lou Nova in their return bout on September 19.

Ranger, Harold S. Vanderbilt's famous yacht, which successfully defended the America's Cup against T. O. M. Sopwith's Endeavour, is now going to help in the defence of America herself. Mr. Vanderbilt has arranged to have the yacht broken up and sold for "scrap."

Tod Morgan, who lost the Australian lightweight boxing championship to Vic Patrick recently, vainly searched Sydney for leeches after his fight. He needed them for his damaged eyes. The veteran of so many contests knew the value of a leech in restoring a damaged eye to normal. He has used them on innumerable occasions, but, try as he did, he could not discover one. The scarcity was due to the dry weather, he was informed.

The most amazing golf exploit known, the playing of a hole 35 miles long, is recalled by the death at Maldstone of Mr. T. H. Oylor, a one-time famous sportsman, at the age of 91. Accepting the wager that he would complete the hole from Linton Park, near Maldstone, to Littlestone Links, near New Romney, under 2,000 strokes, Mr. Oylor won with 913 strokes to spare.

FOWLER ON AUSTRALIAN HOCKEY

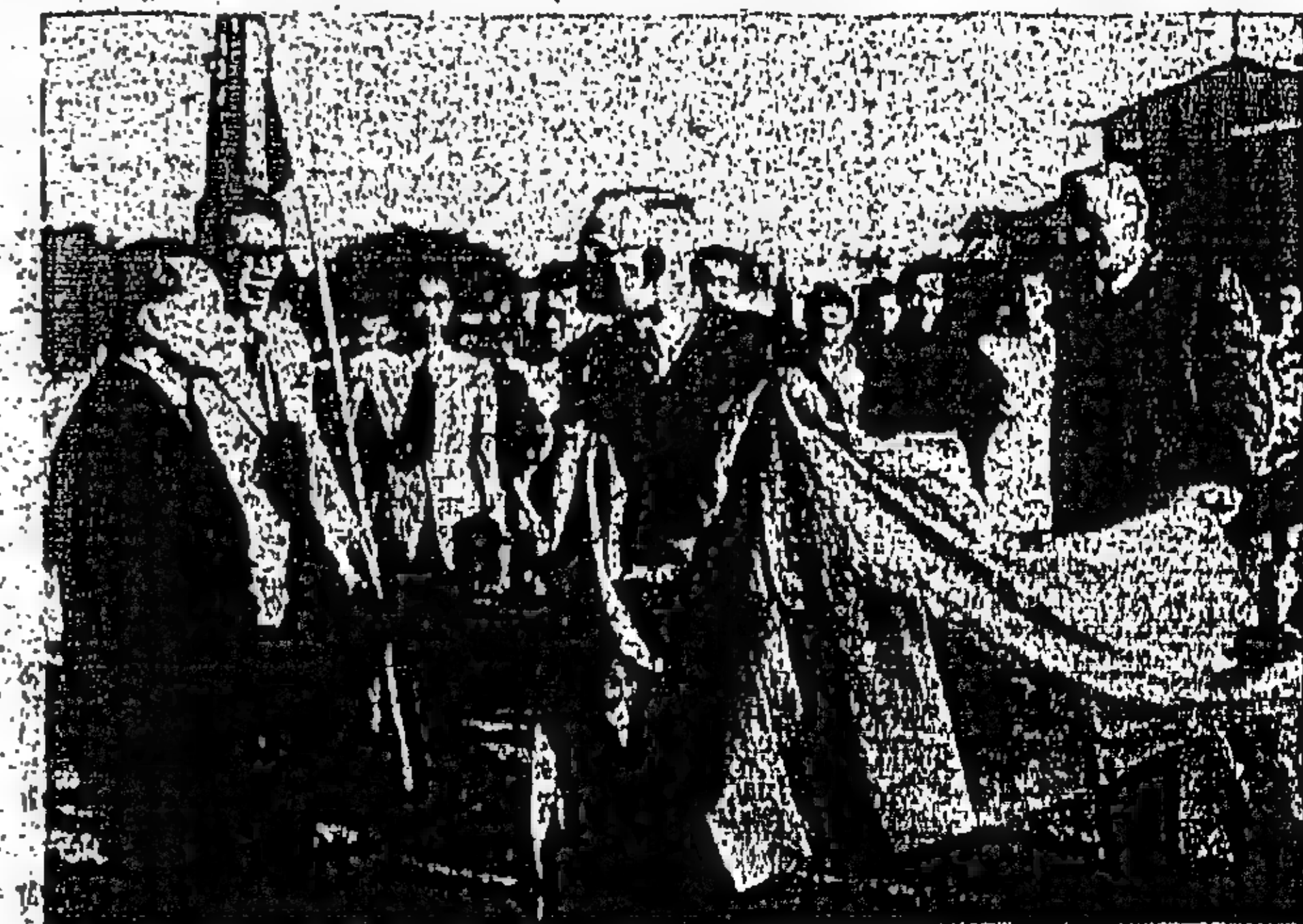
Sydney Fowler, brilliant Club hockey winger, who is just back from a leave in Australia, says that the average hockey team down there is up to our best, while there are several district teams which would be far superior to Hong Kong's best.

While in Sydney, Fowler met Geoffrey Lammert—he is now married and has one child—who introduced him to the Y.M.C.A. hockey officials. He was given a trial and was soon playing regularly on the wing in the first of their five League evenings, with Geoff in the same team, at full-back. Incidentally, Lammert, who is a lieutenant in the militia, has passed his medical test for the R.A.F.

Fowler scored seven of Y's 12 goals in the first four matches, netting in every game.

It was while watching inter-district hockey at the Metropolitan Carnival—Newcastle were the winners—that he contracted bronchial pneumonia, from the effects of which he has only recently recovered.

He did not see any ladies' hockey, but he understands the Australian standard is below that of Hong Kong.



The flag presentation ceremony before the Final Test at Brisbane. Right to left are Senator Brown and the Premier of Queensland, Woe Laitin, (deputy secretary) and Chon Foh-yu (manager secretary) are the others in the picture.



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That is the opinion of no less an authority on local swimming than Lionel Roza-Pereira, former Colony champion swimmer, winner on more than one occasion of the Harbour Race, Colony Interport swimmer and present Colony diving champion, and he expressed it while talking about the Inter-Schools Swimming Gala to be held at Victoria Recreation Club to-morrow, commencing at 5.07 p.m.

Some very keen racing should be seen, especially in the Girls' 50 Yards free-style, in which the French Convent and V.R.C. star, Miss "Jackie" Anderson, will probably be fully extended by Miss Ko Miu-ling, of Bellios Girls' School.

St. Stephens & La Salle

Insofar as the boys' events are concerned, they will probably resolve into a struggle for supremacy between St. Stephen's and La Salle, and there should not be any very appreciable difference in the final standings of these two schools.

As an indication of the thoroughness with which Lionel Roza-Pereira and his hard-working committee have gone about their job, there will be a demonstration of swimming by A. K. Rumjahn (back-stroke), Luiz M. Remedios (breast-stroke) and D. Hutchinson (free-style), and in order that the boys and girls may reap the most benefit out of watching these champions in action, there will be a running commentary throughout the demonstration.

There will also be a diving exhibition, by Lionel Roza-Pereira and Ed. da Roza, a former Colony champion, and from all indications a very enjoyable and entertaining afternoon is promised.

Programme And Competitors

The programme and full list of competitors are as follows:
BOYS' JUNIOR—Diving. 3 Running Forward Headers from 1-Metre Board: K. Thomas (St. Stephen's College); C. Guterres (La Salle College); Chan Yen Fwee (St. Stephen's College); Chow Kong Pul (Chung Wah School).

BOYS' SENIOR—100 Yards free-style: J. Gomes (La Salle), Andrew Fong (St. Joseph's), G. Rossetti (Diocesan), William Teo (St. Stephen's), Donald Young (St. Joseph's).

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GIRLS' 50 Yards free-style: Miss Ko Miu Ling (Ying Wah Girls' School), Miss J. el Arculli (French Convent School), Miss J. Anderson (French Convent School), Miss C. Guterres (St. Mary's School), Miss Yvonne Yollo (French Convent School).

BOYS' SENIOR—100 Yards breast-stroke: Leo Cheuk Lam (Nam Wah), Kong Yiu Wing (La Salle), Chan Chen Po (St. Joseph's), G. Wong (La Salle), Kwong Chiu Shueing (La Salle).

BOYS' JUNIOR—50 Yards breast-stroke: R. Souza (La Salle), Ko Wal Hoong (La Salle), Chow Kong Pul (Chung Wah), W. Ribeiro (La Salle).

GIRLS' 50 Yards breast-stroke: Miss Tsang Fung Kwan (Bellios Public School), Miss C. Monteiro (St. Mary's School), Miss Y. Yollo (French Convent School).

BOYS' SENIOR—100 Yards back-stroke: Ip Ting Yue (St. Stephen's), A. V. Lopes (La Salle), Boone Slong Loy (St. Stephen's), J. Gomes (La Salle), Andrew Fong (St. Joseph's).

BOYS' JUNIOR—50 Yards back-stroke: C. Guterres (La Salle), Chow Kong Pul (Chung Wah).



Members of the Eastern Rink Tao soccer team, which returned to the Colony on Wednesday after a very successful Australian tour. Standing (left to right) are Hau Yung-sang, Leung Wing-chiu, C. T. Tsao, Ng Kee-cheong, Cheong Wing-choy, Y. S. Yen, Kui Wing-fook, Soong Ling-sing, and Chang Kam-hoi; Middle row: Lee Ting-sang, V. K. Hyul, Chen Foh-yu (manager-secretary), Peter Woo (Australian representative), Woo Lai-tin (Assistant secretary), T. A. Langridge (trainer), Chui Ah-fai, Fung King-cheong; Sitting: Tam Kwong-sang, Young Shui-yick, Lai Shui-wing, Sui Dim-ling, Kwok Ying-kee, Hau Ching-to and Ip Pak-wah.

LEE WAI-TONG ON EASTERN SOCCER TEAM

By "Referee"

I SHOULD SAY THAT THERE WAS NOT MUCH DIFFERENCE IN STRENGTH BETWEEN THE SOUTH CHINA TEAM WHICH TOURED AUSTRALIA IN 1923 AND THE EASTERN-SING TAO TEAM JUST RETURNED, SAID LEE WAI-TONG, CAPTAIN OF THE 1923 SIDE, YESTERDAY.

The 1941 team comprised better, and faster individual players, but the South China team were a better combination and better balanced, the main reason being that South China had been playing for several seasons as a team—there was only one Chinese team in the League then—and had represented China in the Far Eastern Olympics.

Of the 1923 team only Lee Wai-tong is still active in the game, while he was a member of the Loh Hwa team which visited Australia in 1927. Fung King-cheong and Lee Ting-sang were also members of the 1927 team.

South China had no financial worries on the 1923 tour. The Football Authorities in Australia guaranteed all expenses and all profit or loss was for their account.

Lee Wai-tong said he was delighted with the favourable impression Eastern had made in Australia, though he naturally regretted that they lost the Test series. Their record is a good one, he said, for South China won only eight matches of the 24 played, drawing seven and losing nine.

Reviewing the Five Test matches played against Australia, Mr. Chen Foh-yu, secretary-manager of Eastern's team had the following observations to make:

MANAGER REVIEWS 5 TESTS

FIRST TEST, at Melbourne, June 28: We won by 6 goals to 4 after being 1-3 down in the first half. In the second half we scored 4 goals in 14 minutes, but we did not get a very big gate, only £263, as the people in this part of Australia are not very keen on soccer.

SECOND TEST, at Sydney, July 5: We lost by 2 goals to 4. In this match the Australians adopted robust methods and in the first 5 minutes Lai Shui-wing was hurt and then, in the second half, Ng Kee-cheung had to leave the field. We were leading 2-1 in the first half and the score was 2-2 when Ng was carried off. After that, playing with nine men only—substitutes were not allowed in the Tests—we found the job too much for us.

THIRD TEST, at Sydney, July 12: We lost 2-5 although everybody expected us to win. We were actually leading 2-1 up to the interval, but the game was slowed up considerably because 13 minutes were wasted through injured players being treated on the ground, and that affected our play. The ground here was not good at all.

FIFTH TEST, at Brisbane, August 2: We lost 4-4, but it must be said that our boys were rather upset at having just heard the news that the intended extension of the tour would not materialise, and also that we were to sail the same evening, at 7 p.m., the game finishing at 6.30 p.m. The boat actually delayed its departure for a few hours to enable us to fulfil this engagement. We were 1-4 down in the first half and at one time were 1-7 in arrears. Then we scored three goals before the home team scored their final one.



"Ultra easy on the eye" was the description given by an Australian paper to this charming Australian-born Chinese lady spectator at the final football Test between the Sing Tao-Eastern touring team and Australia, which the latter won 8-4.

SHANGHAI TENNIS EXHIBITION

A very attractive exhibition tennis programme has been arranged to take place in Shanghai on August 31, in aid of the Central British War Fund. F. Sullivan and L. G. Stokes will meet Tony Liang and Edward Tsai, and H. Collaco and Kho Sin-oi will then play a singles, to be followed by the second doubles between C. C. Squires and M. Benavitch against J. V. T. Wang and Harry Li.

In the Navy pool yesterday, Royal Navy "B" beat 8th Coastal Regiment, R.A., by 8 goals to 1 in the European Y.M.C.A. Invitation water-polo tournament.

We won this game by 5 goals to 2, but Australia were handicapped when their inside-right, a man named Date, was injured in a tackle and was a passenger for the rest of the game.

FOURTH TEST, at Newcastle, July 19: We lost 2-5 although everybody expected us to win. We were actually leading 2-1 up to the interval, but the game was slowed up considerably because 13 minutes were wasted through injured players being treated on the ground, and that affected our play. The ground here was not good at all.

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Wherever the Sing Tao-Eastern team played in Australia, the Chinese community turned out on mass to support their compatriots. This picture shows a section of the crowd, evidently very pleased with their countrymen's progress on the field.

SOCCER TOUR OF U.S.?

Mr. Aw Hae, manager of Sing Tao Football Club, is by no means disappointed or discouraged because the Sing Tao-Eastern tour of Australia ended in a financial loss of approximately £1,600.

On the other hand, he is already planning ahead and said yesterday that, providing world conditions were such as to allow of the undertaking, they would be sending a team to tour the United States of America next season.

And Mr. Aw is not the only one who is looking forward to such a trip, although he says that he fears business claims would not make it possible for him to accompany the team.

The players who have just returned from Australia have enjoyed themselves so much that they feel an American, and possibly later on, an English tour, would be just the very thing for them. They all agree that not only their football, but also their general outlook on life have benefited by the Australian tour, and trips to the west would not only further improve their play but would also add to their education.

Y.M.C.A. WIN QUADRANGULAR AQUATIC GALA

The quadrangular swimming gala held in the European Y.M.C.A. last night between Y.M.C.A., Royal Scots, Middlesex and Royal Corps of Signals and Combined Small Units resulted in a win for the home team, who secured 22½ points to the Royals' 18, while Small Units and Middlesex had 15 and 12½ respectively.

50 Yards—1, E. F. Paul (Y.M.C.A.); 2, Sig Hunt (Small Units); 3, McHugh (Scots); 4, A. Smith (Middlesex). Time: 28 3/5.

300 Yards Medley Relay—1, Y.M.C.A. (N. D. Booker, R. Maynard, G. Goldman, E. A. Roberts, W. S. Gegg, D. Hutchinson); 2, Scots; 3, Middlesex; Signals and Combined Small Units were disqualified.

Long Plunger—1, Lieut. Willoughby (Middlesex) 56ft. 7ins.; 2, L/Cpl. Bevan (Small Units) 48ft. 5ins.; 3, Lieut. Hunter (Scots) 48ft. 2ins.; 4, A. F. May (Y.M.C.A.) 43ft. 2ins.

Diving—1, L/Cpl. McReady (Scots); 2, Cpl. Dignan (Small Units); 3, N. D. Booker (Y.M.C.A.) and J. Hardy (Middlesex).

300 Yards Relay—1, Y.M.C.A. (D. Hutchinson, G. Saunders, E. A. Roberts, E. F. Paul, C. Goldman, R. Larsen); 2, Small Units; 3, Scots; 4, Middlesex.

Water Polo—Whites 4 (E. F. Paul) v. Colours 4 (Dignan, 2, May, Sutherland).

TO-NIGHTS BASKETBALL

Following are to-night's Open Basketball League fixtures at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A.: Bank Union v. Ping Ching; Yu Leung v. Indian Police.

The world record for the 4-miles Relay Race, held by Indiana University—27 minutes, 10-1/5 seconds, at Philadelphia in 1937—was beaten on August 18 at the Olympic stadium, Stockholm, when the Idrotts-Forening team covered the distance in 17 minutes 2-1/5 seconds.—Reuter.

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HEAVY DAYLIGHT RAIDS

Blenheim aircraft of the Bomber Command carried out three attacks on enemy-occupied territory yesterday, states an Air Ministry communique.

In each of these attacks they were accompanied by strong forces of fighters and no bombers were lost.

The first attack was made upon the iron and steel works at IJmuiden in Holland, where direct hits were obtained on the rolling mills and other parts of the works.

In two offensives carried out over Northern France, industrial targets and railway communications at St. Omer and the Bethune areas were bombed.

The fighter escort fought a number of engagements with enemy fighters, one of which was destroyed. E-boats in the Channel were attacked by our fighters with cannon and machine-gun fire.

FOURTEEN OF OUR FIGHTERS ARE MISSING, BUT ONE OF THE PILOTS IS SAFE.

Other fighters escorted aircraft of the Coastal Command in an attack on enemy shipping off the French coast. No aircraft was lost in this operation. — Reuter.

Measures Must Be Made To Hurt

THE "MANCHESTER Guardian" in a leader on the rumours of the possibility of trade licensing between Great Britain and Japan, states that "if when the freezing of Japanese assets was announced it was intended to allow a certain amount of trade to pass by way of granting licences, it would only be natural to make arrangements to finance it."

"But that was certainly not what the public understood these sanctions to mean. They were imposed on account of the Japanese invasion of Indo-China, and it is clear that if economic counter-measures are to serve any purpose they must hurt."

"Substantial concessions might weaken that purpose without removing the irritation caused by the general principle."

That such concessions are being considered has so far been suggested mainly from Japanese sources. This is denied in London though not as firmly as could be desired.

"One Government authority last night asserted that arrangements would cover only a few thousand pounds designed mainly for the payment of diplomatic and consular expenses."

Another Department the night before at least suggested clear-

ing accounts were being inaugurated both in London and in other parts of the Empire for the finance of any mutual trade that might officially be approved.

Any Loophole

"Licences, said this statement, would be granted only within the limits of the funds available on the clearing account. There is no doubt that the Japanese may well desire to make the greatest possible use of any loophole, so that they can replenish stocks."

"IF THEY HAD BEEN GIVEN THE IMPRESSION THAT THE PRESENT ARRANGEMENTS MIGHT BE SHAPED INTO THE THIN END OF THE WEDGE, THEY SHOULD BE QUICKLY DISILLUSIONED."

High Strategy

"Any suggestion that trade licences might be granted on financial grounds or even on the grounds that certain materials are of no use to our war effort and can, therefore, be spared would deprive the sanction of all meaning."

"A grave step has been taken for reasons of high strategy. The risks are well-known and had been weighed in advance."

ANY WEAKNESS IN EXECUTION AND ANY SUSPICION THAT FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS MIGHT SERVE WITHOUT FURTHER FORMALITY TO COVER UP A BREACH IN THE EMBARGO WOULD NOT ONLY LOWER THE RISK, BUT WOULD ALSO WHOLLY UNDO THE EFFECT OF THE ACTION. — REUTER.

POLISH ARMY IN RUSSIA

AN ARMY OF BETWEEN 100,000 AND 120,000 POLISH SOLDIERS IS LIKELY TO BE FORMED ON SOVIET TERRITORY, ACCORDING TO THE PRESENT ESTIMATE OF GENERAL W. ANDERS, THE NEWLY-APPOINTED POLISH COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN SOVIET RUSSIA, AND GEN. E. A. L. SZYSKO-BOHUSZ, CHIEF OF THE POLISH MISSION THERE.

It was reported in London yesterday from Moscow, where these generals have taken up duties, that it is considered that a Polish army of between four and six army corps could be raised from among Polish war prisoners capable of bearing arms. — Reuter.

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SPRATLY ISLANDS ISSUE

That the United States would view with concern and refuse to recognise any formal Japanese annexation of additional Pacific islands was indicated by Mr. Cordell Hull at his press conference yesterday.

It was pointed out that the Spratly group in the South China Seas are now shown as Japanese possessions in new Tokyo maps which indicate an extension of the original Japanese annexation.

Seven islands of this group over which Japan assumed jurisdiction in 1930 had been occupied by France in 1933, but the Japanese contended that they were without an owner.

The annexation at that time caused considerable misgivings. — Reuter.

RED ARMY CUSHION TACTICS

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be seen whether the German blows have not lost a lot of their weight.

Gomel Thrust

The new German thrust is also developing in the central sector of Gomel, between Smolensk and Kiev. It has met with local success, but it is not clear whether the Germans will continue to drive eastward towards Moscow, or south-east so as to menace the rear of Kiev.

The numbers engaged in these gigantic battles are so immense that it is obvious that even the Germans cannot put their maximum weight into all fronts at once.

But this is the sector to which they attach the utmost importance as it is directed against Moscow and it is probable that they will make a desperate effort to effect that breach in the Russian line which has so far defied all their strategy. — Reuter.

BOMBER DOWNED

R.A.F. fighters shot down an enemy bomber into the sea off the East Coast of England before dusk last evening, says Reuter from London.

STOP PRESS

The attempt by Tokyo and Washington to negotiate a "modus vivendi" to bring about a temporary relaxation of the present tension in Japanese-American relations has ended in failure, according to Vichy news reports from the Japanese capital quoting well-informed sources in Japan.

In all, 15 talks are reported to have been held during which both parties are stated to have refused to move from their respective positions.

Outcome was that the United States Government informed the Japanese Government, through its Ambassador, Mr. Joseph Grew, that it saw no possibility of achieving results as long as Japan failed to modify her political stand.

The United States is believed to have maintained a most energetic stand throughout and to neutral observers in Tokyo it is becoming increasingly clear the despatch adds, that the situation has now reversed itself in the Far East. It is now the Anglo-Saxon powers who are taking the initiative. Japan is on the defensive and is becoming more and more isolated. — Reuter.

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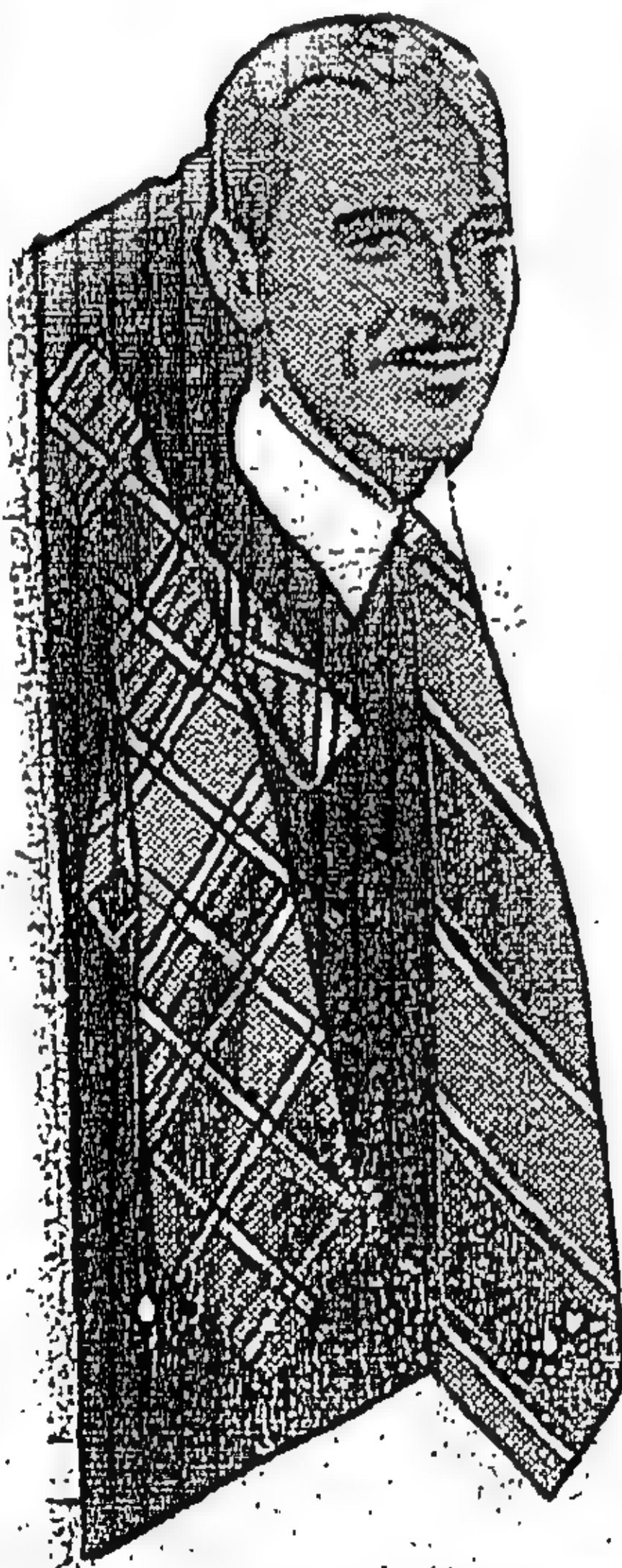
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Commenting on the pressure applied on Turkey for the passage of an Italian fleet through the Dardanelles and the passage of troops through Anatolia, the London "Daily Express" says that Hitler has withdrawn four motorised divisions from the Russian front and is concentrating them in Thrace.

A report from Ankara indicates that rumours of a German march on Turkey have grown considerably with recent events.

The two German infantry divisions in Bulgaria and the Italian garrison of 15,000 on the island of Samos, off Turkey, have been strongly reinforced.—International News Service.

RUSSIANS ABANDON GOMEL

The following is the text of a communique issued by the Soviet Information Bureau at 10.40 (G.M.T.) last night:—

"In the course of August 21 our troops waged stubborn battles with the enemy along the whole front, especially fierce in the directions of Kingisepp, Novgorod and Gomel.

"After heavy fighting our troops evacuated Gomel.

"According to incomplete data, in the course of air combats 21 German aircraft were brought down. We lost 12 planes.

"In the afternoon of August 20, five German scouting planes were brought down by our fighters on the approaches to Moscow, and not three as previously reported." — Reuter.

EVACUEES FROM MANILA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Approximately 480 German, Italian and Japanese evacuees from Manila are due in Shanghai to-day in the "Marechal Joffre."

It is believed the majority of the Germans and Italians will disembark in Shanghai but the

Germans Promise Fate Of Warsaw

STATEMENT ON TRAGIC END OF MR. HOBBS

It is learned officially that Mr. C. C. A. Hobbs, Air Raid Precautions Architect, who died in tragic circumstances yesterday afternoon, was the principal witness at yesterday morning's sitting of the Air Raid Precautions Commission of Inquiry. Mr. Hobbs gave evidence for approximately one hour, and was instructed to return at three o'clock to produce certain documents and for further examination.

Shanghai Strikers In Clash

One striker was killed and five seriously injured when a clash occurred yesterday afternoon between Chinese wharf coolies and the Municipal Police on a British-owned Hongkew Wharf in Wayside.

Two foreign police officers were wounded, and one is in hospital. The strikers demanded an increase in wages, whereupon they were locked out by the management of the wharf. The strikers retaliated with acts of sabotage on wharf property.

It is feared the strike will spread to other wharves and cause a tie-up of loading and unloading operations in Shanghai. — Reuter.

Japanese will proceed to Japan. The vessel is also bringing 5,000 bags of Saigon rice to swell Shanghai's staple food supply. — International News Service.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

MARSHAL VOROSHILOV'S STIRRING APPEAL TO THE POPULATION OF LENINGRAD TO DEFEND THE CITY TO THE LAST, WAS THE FIRST RUSSIAN ADMISSION THAT LENINGRAD IS IN GRAVE DANGER, ALTHOUGH SOVIET CIRCLES REFUSE TO ADMIT THE CITY MIGHT FALL.

A Soviet broadcast said: "The enemy wants to destroy the city and kill the population. Comrades! Flock to the workshops and make more guns and munitions for defence of the city."

New York yesterday picked up a German radio broadcast threatening "St. Petersburg" with the same fate as Warsaw.

The broadcast, which did not refer to the city as Leningrad, recalled the "useless defence of Warsaw."

Claiming that 5,000,000 Russian troops have been killed or captured, the Germans announce that Kherson "gateway to the Crimean Peninsula," has fallen and claim that key cities in Leningrad's defence system have been taken.

An official German summary of the first two months of the war on the eastern front claims that panzer divisions have penetrated depths between 375 and

500 miles on a 1,800-miles front, and that an area of 543,750 square miles of Russian territory is in German hands.

"Ring" Round Leningrad

A new "ring" round Leningrad is claimed as possible by a break-through between Lakes Ilmen and Peipus, in east Estonia, "paving the way to the capture of the key cities of Novgorod, Kingisepp and Narva, on the Gulf of Finland."

The reported capture of Kherson is claimed as a "tremendous victory, opening the way to the narrow isthmus connecting the Crimean peninsula with the mainland and serving as a bridge to Sebastopol." — International News Service.

JAPAN ON HER DEFENCE

The attempt by Tokyo and Washington to negotiate a "modus vivendi" to bring about a temporary relaxation of the present tension in Japanese-American relations has ended in failure, according to Vichy news reports from the Japanese capital quoting well-informed sources in Japan.

In all, 15 talks are reported to have been held during which both parties are stated to have refused to move from their respective positions.

Outcome was that the United States Government informed the Japanese Government, through its Ambassador, Mr. Joseph Grew, that it saw no possibility of achieving results as long as Japan failed to modify her political stand.

The United States is believed to have maintained a most energetic stand throughout and to neutral observers in Tokyo. It is becoming increasingly clear the despatch adds, that the situation has now reversed itself in the Far East.

It is now the Anglo-Saxon powers who are taking the initiative. Japan is on the defensive and is becoming more and more isolated. — Reuter.

CALL FOR WAR IN AMERICA

A call for President Roosevelt to propose and for Congress to approve a declaration of war against the Axis nations is made in the "New Republic," one of America's foremost Liberal weeklies.

There is a chance, the magazine says, of "an immediate and complete victory over Hitler," if the United States, Russia and Britain launch a combined assault.

America, it asserts, is better prepared to fight Germany now with Allies than later with none.

"If it is not our war, we should have nothing to do with it. But we have decided otherwise. If it is our war, enough so that we must put our material resources and wealth into the scales on one side only, then it is our war to fight as well." — Reuter.

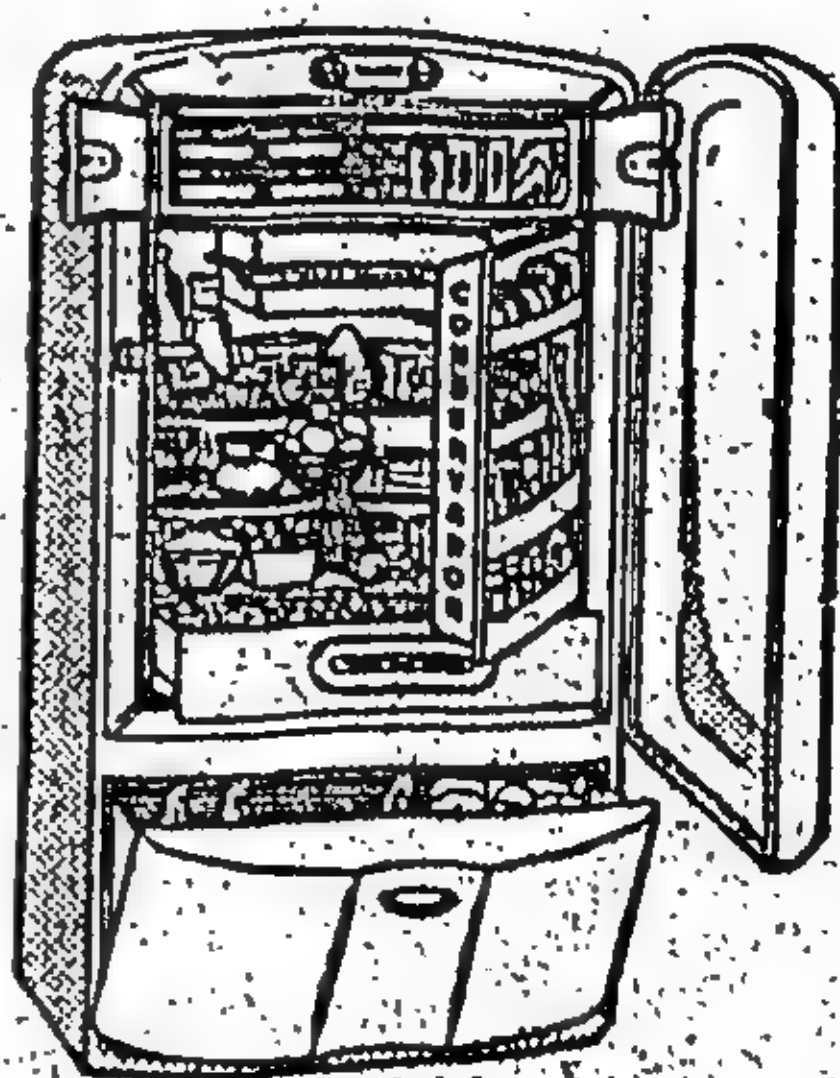
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Curious Reversal Of Tokyo Propaganda Effort In Thailand

BANGKOK'S CAUTION IN PRECAUTION

ARRIVALS IN SINGAPORE from the Thailand border remarked on the curious reversal of Japanese propaganda in Thailand which until recently was consistently belittling the British strength in Malaya and Burma.

They have turned to the contrary line now, the propaganda culminating in Tokyo Radio on Wednesday stating that 220,000 troops are standing along the British frontiers from Singapore to Burma.

Despite most emphatic and clear denials from Bangkok and Singapore, the Japanese continue their attempts to vitiate the Thai atmosphere again by putting out the report that "Thailand has received demands for bases from Britain."

"No Danger - But Be Prepared"

The new Thailand Cabinet Minister, Luang Vichit Vathakarn, Deputy Foreign Minister, broadcast yesterday on the "security of Thailand" after which translations in English, French, German, Italian and Japanese were broadcast on all wave-lengths.

The Bangkok Radio last night counselled the Thais to prepare themselves for any possible eventuality while the country was still at peace.

The speaker emphasised there was no change in the situation, that Thailand was not faced with any danger of an attack and deprecated any attempts to sensationalise precautionary advice.

NEVERTHELESS, HE URGED THE PUBLIC TO BE PREPARED

WITH SHELTERS, DUG-OUTS, BLACK-OUT EXERCISES AND TO STUDY METHODS OF DEALING WITH INCENDIARY BOMBS.

Three Guarantees

British and Japanese assurances to Thailand, the country's own determination to try its best to adhere to the strictest neutrality, and its preparedness to die for freedom, are the three guarantees of Thailand's security, said Luang Vichit Vathakarn, in his radio address which was later translated into various languages.

After reiterating Thailand's foreign policy as adumbrated on July 29 and August 9, Luang Vichit Vathakarn said that Thailand must thank the British and the Japanese for the assurances given by their spokesmen including Mr. Anthony Eden and Chief Air-Marshal Sir Brooke-Popham.

He concluded that the Thais were ready to sacrifice everything in the case of unprovoked aggression from whichever side.—Reuter.

GERMAN POLICY IN HOLLAND

NAZI EFFORTS TO SUBVERT YOUTH IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES IS EMPHASISED IN STATEMENTS BY ONE OF THEIR OWN QUISLINGS — THE SECRETARY OF THE EDUCATIONAL AND SCIENCE DEPARTMENT OF THE DUTCH NAZI REGIME, ACTING UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE REICH COMMISSAR IN THE NETHERLANDS.

He said in a broadcast: "a certain spirit of resistance against our government and that of the Germans is noticeable."

"This attitude is apt to endanger our future and cannot be tolerated in Europe, which is fighting for its life. It is unworthy of Dutch youth."

"Teachers have generally tried to avoid incidents but there have been several cases which have had their silent consent."

"The Reich Commissar has given me full powers to deal with repetitions of such incidents. I am empowered to close schools and expel pupils and teachers but I hope this will not be necessary."

"It will be necessary, however, in consequence of the change in the European situation, to alter the timetable of lessons and school books."

"Too much emphasis has been laid on the spiritual development of youth. In future Dutch, German and gymnastics will be the main features of education." — British Wireless.

LIBRARIES WRECKED

The Annual Report of the Friends of National Libraries gives a list of libraries which already have been destroyed or badly damaged by enemy action.

Included in the list is the British Museum Library, where sections of the law, archaeology, fine art, etc., and sets of philological and bibliographical periodicals were largely destroyed, Goldsmith College, where about 12,000 books were destroyed, the Guildhall Library, King's College (London) Library, the Inner Temple Library and the public libraries of Liverpool, Plymouth and Richmond.

Birkbeck College Library has been almost completely destroyed as have many thousands of books in the National Central Library. — British Wireless.

NAZI LEADERS FALL

THE DEATH OF S. A. GROUP LEADER HEINZ KNICKMANN, ONE OF THE OLDEST NAZI PARTY MEMBERS, WHILE FIGHTING ON THE RUSSIAN FRONT, WAS REPORTED BY THE GERMAN RADIO LAST NIGHT.

Rome radio announced earlier that Arthur Altmann, chief of the Hitler Youth, was also severely wounded, necessitating amputation of the right hand, in action on the eastern front.—Reuter.

Battle Of Production

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Echoing President Roosevelt's words that America must awaken quickly, Mr. William Knudsen, head of the Office of Production Management, declared the United States had not yet caught the spirit which would enable "Britain and the U.S. to win the battle of production against the Axis."

However, when America caught that spirit, he said, the battle "is going to end in favour of our side." — International News Service.

RUSSIANS RAID BERLIN

Russian planes raided Berlin on Wednesday night, causing fires, Moscow Radio announced last night, adding that all the Russian planes returned safely.—Reuter.

FIFTH COLUMN AT WORK

FIGURES INTENDED TO SHOW THAT BRITAIN HAS AN AMPLE OIL-TANKER FLEET WHICH ARE BEING CIRCULATED IN THE UNITED STATES APPARENTLY IN A DELIBERATE EFFORT TO CONFUSE THE PUBLIC ARE "WHOLLY AND COMPLETELY FALSE," STATED MR. RALPH DAVIES, UNITED STATES DEPUTY PETROLEUM CO-ORDINATOR, REPLYING TO UNOFFICIAL REPORTS THAT IT WAS NOT NECESSARY TO TRANSFER AMERICAN TANKERS TO BRITAIN.

"The inadequacy of British and Allied tankers to fulfil a wartime task as indicated by conclusive evidence in our hands is such as to warrant the transfer of American tankers to aid transportation of oil," he declared.

"No one should be deluded here. Every step taken has been essential in our judgment, to the job of getting oil to the fighting fronts and thus protecting our own national security," he added.

Mr. Davies said that the reports that the British have ample tankers and that it was not necessary to transfer American tankers to aid the British "do not square with detailed figures submitted by the British." — Reuter.

have noticed that Boy Scouts have been active.

"A camp was raided near Putten and 120 Scouts arrested. The boys resisted the German police who were compelled to use their arms. One 16-year-old Scout was wounded."

"The boys' parents share in the blame for the Scout movement defying the ban and if they do not stop their sons from stupid Scout activities they will be arrested and their sons will be expelled from school." — Reuter.

Dutch Scouts Defiant

Dutch Boy Scouts are defying the Nazi ban making them members of an illegal organisation and are holding meetings and camps, states "Vrij Nederland," the Free Dutch newspaper published in London.

The boys and their parents have been warned by the Nazi Commissioner-General for Public Security of the punishment that will be meted out to them if this continues.

He states: "German police patrols during July and August

RUSSIAN FRONT STILL RETAINS COHESION

THE PRESENT successes gained by the Germans in Russia, although serious, are not regarded as presaging an early Russian defeat since the front seems to retain cohesion and there is a general impression, though not confirmed, that Marshal Budenny has extricated a great part of his armies to continue the struggle east of the Dnieper.

Russian reports even speak of the rout of a German division in west Ukraine; and the Germans are not having all their own way even west of the Dnieper.

It is reported, again without confirmation, that the Russians have blown up the great dam at Dnieperstrov, vital power station for the Ukrainian industries, but if by doing so they have saved Marshal Budenny's army and facilitated the holding of the Dnieper line, then the economic loss will probably have been justified.

Mention of fighting in the centre at Gornel seems to indicate a German attempt to outflank the Kiev sector and turn the Dnieper line, and may thus constitute a serious threat to the Russian defence.

In the north, Voroshilov's summons to the people of Leningrad to defend the city to the last, together with the German claim to have captured Novgorod, shows the Germans are making a serious attempt to reach this objective, although they probably are still at least 50 or 60 miles away. From the effort expended by the Germans on this thrust it is evident they are now making a

third great offensive in the attack on Russia but it remains to be seen whether it will go further or prove more decisive than the first two, which cost the Germans such enormous losses in men and materials.

In Serious Straits

Meanwhile "The Times" quoting the report of the correspondent of a Zurich newspaper who visited the front, that the Germans are having great difficulties with communications, observes that the use of aeroplanes for transport on a front of millions suggests they are in serious straits.

The correspondent goes on to say the whole German construction organisation is standing by to provide housing for the troops in the approaching winter and that the country he saw was so completely devastated, so as to afford no shelter whatever. — British Wireless.



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A MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

Solid Declaration Against Peace With Hitler Eight Points Will Become National Policy

A SOLID DECLARATION AGAINST ANY NEGOTIATED PEACE WITH HITLER WAS GIVEN BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT YESTERDAY IN A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO CONGRESS, REPORTING ON HIS EPOCH-MAKING MEETING AT SEA WITH MR. CHURCHILL.

The President said that the declaration of principles agreed upon there were so clear cut that they would be difficult to oppose "without automatically admitting willingness to accept a compromise."

These principles, he added, also would be hard to oppose without admitting willingness "to agree to a world peace which would give to Nazism domination over large numbers of conquered nations."

"Inevitably," said the President, "such a peace would be a gift to Nazism to take a breath — an armed breath — for a second war to extend their control over Europe and Asia to the American hemisphere itself."

Freedoms

It was perhaps unnecessary, he went on, to call attention once more to the utter lack of validity of the written or spoken word of the Nazi Government.

It was also unnecessary to point out that the eight-point declaration included of necessity "the world need for freedom of religion and freedom of information."

No society of the world organized under the announced principles could survive without these freedoms which are part of the whole freedom for which we strive."

Suggestion To President

Officials at the White House say that the President's special message to Congress was suggested by the Democratic Congressional party leaders who conferred with the President on August 18 regarding the Atlantic conference.

President Roosevelt made a reference to Canadian ships which is believed to be the first official announcement that Canadian warships were present at the scene of the conference. — Reuter.



OBTAINABLE AT

SINCERE'S

COLONEL COLLET PROMOTED

A number of important promotions in the Free French Army in the Levant have been made by General de Gaulle, Commander-in-Chief of the Free French Forces.

They include promotion to the rank of General of Colonel Collet, at present Commander of the Damascus garrison and delegate of the Free French to the Syrian Government.

Colonel Moncelart, Governor of the Jebel-Druze, and Colonel Vallian, head of the Free French Air Force.

General Collet was one of the first high French officers to go over to the Free French Forces. — Reuter.

NO DELUSIONS

The most outspoken Japanese anti-Hitler comment yet made, appeared in the Japanese-owned "Singapore Herald" yesterday as follows:—

"Hitler cares nothing for Japan except the use he can make of her to further his ambitions. Nothing will happen to her if Japan plays her part carefully." — Reuter.

tion drawn up by the President and British Prime Minister. You may be sure this Government will devote unceasing efforts to the realization of those objectives, being confident that in this task it will have the support of the Greek Government and people." — British Wireless.

London Approval

While Mr. Churchill's Sunday evening broadcast on his meeting with President Roosevelt is eagerly awaited, warm appreciation is expressed in London of the terms in which the American President has announced the eight point declaration in his message to Congress. — British Wireless.

Greek Endorsement

Messages have been sent by Mr. Churchill, the British Prime Minister, and Mr. Cordell Hull, U.S.A. Secretary of State, to the Greek Prime Minister.

Mr. Churchill said: "I thank you for your telegram endorsing the joint declaration by President Roosevelt and myself."

Greece, whose stand against the aggressors thrilled the civilized world and proved her sons worthy of their name in history, shares with Great Britain and all her Allies the determination to fight until the powers of evil are finally overthrown. Together we have a great work to perform and I set a high value upon your advice and assistance."

Mr. Cordell Hull said: "The President has requested me to thank you for your message and expression of agreement with the aims set forth in the declaration."

PRES. ROOSEVELT FOLLOWS HIS OWN PRECEDENT

BY INFORMING Congress officially of his talks with Mr. Churchill, President Roosevelt has followed the practice he established in the case of the American ship "Robin Moor," namely telling legislators of the action taken and the policy pursued.

As on the previous occasion his message calls for no action but it undoubtedly will be approved by Congress.

After that the eight points will be national policy rather than just Administration policy.

The "clear gains" to which President Roosevelt refers are already in evidence. The conversations on the high seas, combined with Lord Beaverbrook's activities in Washington since, and the coming Anglo-Russian-American Conference, indicate clearly a new strategy of supply with Washington as the nerve centre.

British and U.S. production of war supplies, it is reported, is now being made one integral whole, working with one purpose towards a single objective. A much higher degree of efficiency seems bound to result. It is stated that efforts will now be directed towards bringing

Russia into this supply system so that the industrial efforts of all these nations can be integrated and directed in an intelligent manner towards their common objective.

Lack Of Information

At present, it is added, there is not sufficient information coming from Russia either in regard to the fighting or production in the Soviet Union for this purpose but it is believed that the position has been stated unequivocally to Moscow and it will be repeated if necessary when the tripartite talks in Moscow begin. — Reuter.

CYPRUS TOWN BOMBED

Enemy 'planes' raided Famagusta in Cyprus yesterday morning, causing some civilian casualties and slight damage to civilian property, says Reuter's Nicosia correspondent.

It is learned (says Reuter from Nicosia, capital of Cyprus) that one civilian was killed and six injured in yesterday morning's air raid on Famagusta.

AXIS TROOPS MOVING IN BALKANS

Reports from a very reliable source in Ankara give the first indications since the Nazi invasion of Soviet Russia of Axis troop movements in Southern Bulgaria.

In addition, Italian troops at Plovdiv, with Italian Staff officers, are reported to have made a reconnaissance of Maritza Valley.

Other reports speak of Italy increasing her garrisons in the Greek islands.

Despite the possibility of such troop movements being a prelude to a fresh Axis adventure in the Balkans, Turkey expresses complete confidence that Germany has no hostile intentions towards her.

Air Force Crews

Large-scale German military movements in Bulgaria have begun, it was learned in London yesterday.

Advance units of two German Infantry divisions have arrived in the south in the past few days.

They are fresh troops newly uniformed and well-disciplined and are thought to have come from the interior of Germany.

These troops were accompanied by a considerable number of air force ground crews.

There are also reports that the Italians have moved troops into eastern Thrace and the Aegean Islands off Turkey. Ten to fifteen thousand Italian troops have been landed on the island of Samos. — Reuter.

EGYPTIAN TRADE WITH SYRIA

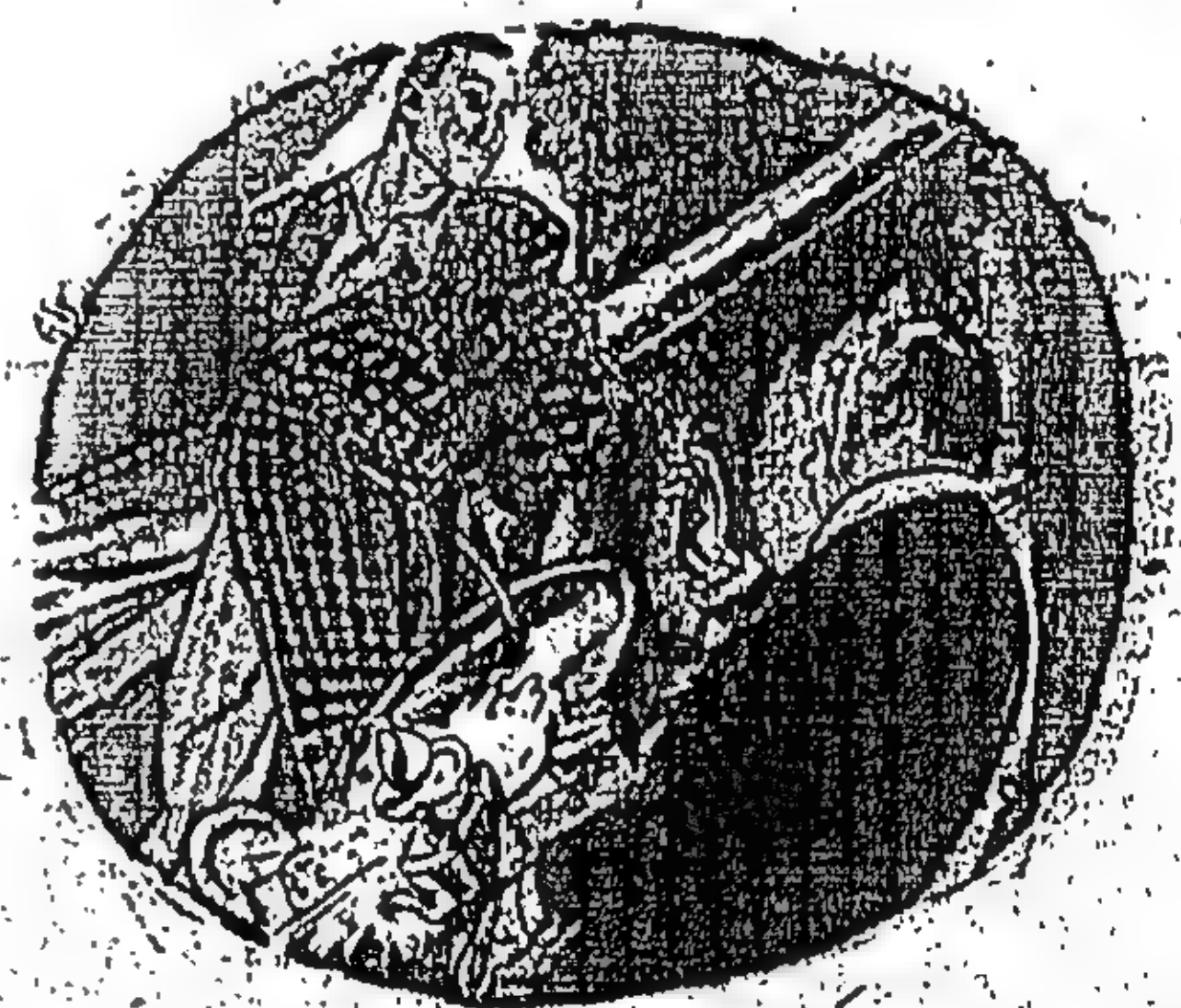
A Board of Trade regulation issued on Wednesday in Cairo permitting trade with Syria is expected to help bringing down the cost of living there.

One of the reasons for the present high costs in Syria is the fact that the Vichy regime left Syria short of essential supplies.

The British and the Free French authorities have now arranged for 5,000 tons of wheat to be delivered to Damascus at the rate of 150 tons daily.

The currency will remain stabilised at 8.63 which obviates the necessity for a black bourse.

Miss Yip Chi-shen, mui-tai Inspector, S.C.A., in Waterloo Road yesterday was robbed of a wrist watch valued at \$80.



ACHTUNG, HAWKINS! ACHTUNG!

"I say, Hawkins, you might be more careful. You nearly had me over the banisters."

"I'm very sorry, Sir. I had not anticipated your arrival in — er — one fell swoop, if I may coin a phrase. In fact, Sir, I didn't know you were up."

"My good man, I've been up since cockcrow. The clocks were striking eight as I sprang from my Spartan box spring mattress."

"Indeed, Sir."

"Yes, Hawkins. Indeed! Indeed! Indeed! I suppose you think I ought to have a roaring headache

and a taste in my mouth like cold dinner knives?"

"Well, Sir, now that you press me, you were out rather late last night."

"Of course I was. Didn't get back till three. But I drank nothing but 'Gimlets'. And now I'm feeling as fit as one of those culinary what's-its-names."

"Triceps, Sir. I'm not surprised, Sir. Rose's Lime Juice possesses therapeutic properties which..."

"Confound you, Hawkins. You know all the answers!"

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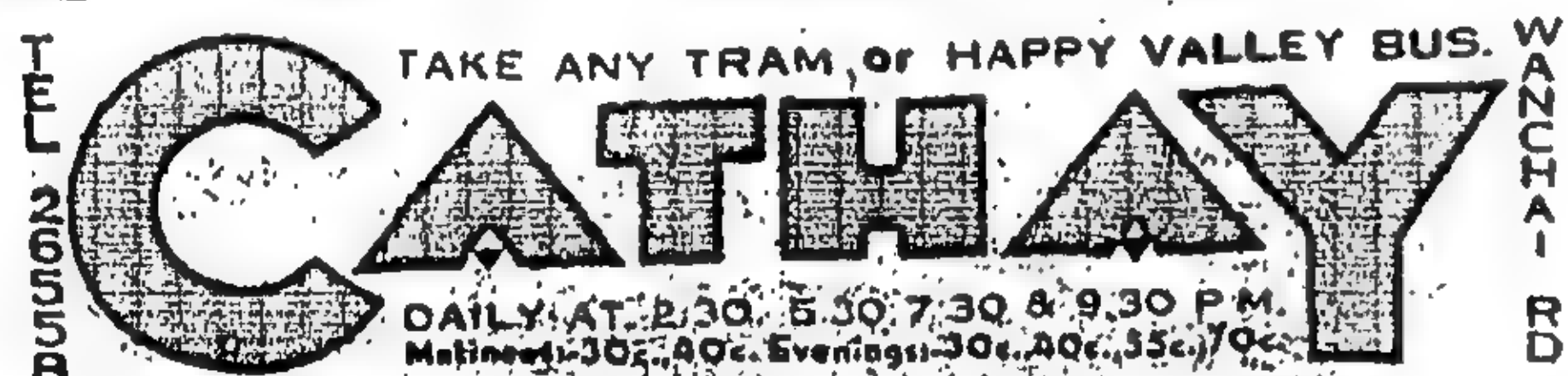


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BANK OF FRANCE RAISES A QUESTION

WHERE IS THE Bank of France's gold, asks the "Financial News" in London yesterday commenting on the first weekly statement published by the Bank of France since the collapse, showing that the gold reserve of the bank amounts to 84½ milliard francs.

This figure does not differ materially from the amount of gold holding before the Franco-German Armistice.

The question is how much of this gold is under effective control of the Vichy authorities? As is well known a large amount was transferred to the United States before the collapse and was frozen by an order of the Washington Administration.

Another substantial amount found its way to Martinique and is kept there.

An agreement was recently reached between the Vichy Government and the United States Government by which the former undertook to consult the latter before moving any gold from Martinique. In return the American authorities agreed to release some of the French gold frozen in the United States for urgent requirements of the inhabitants of Martinique.

In Dakar

A substantial part of the French gold reserve was evacuated to Dakar.

Complete mystery surrounds the fate of this gold. According to one theory, a French warship transferred it to Martinique but it is more probable that the gold is still at Dakar. One wonders how long it will be before the Vichy Government agrees to surrender part of its gold to Germany.—Reuter.

REVENUE OFFICER CASE ADJOURNED

The case in which a European Revenue Officer, Christian James Ernest Scott, 23, and two Chinese Revenue Officers, Fok Man-chang, 23, and Fok Yung-chan, 22, are charged with conspiracy for extortion and demanding money with menaces, was adjourned to Monday by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon this morning.

Mr. M. A. da Silva's request for reduction of bail, which was fixed at \$2,500, was rejected.

DUST STORMS IN THE DESERT

A British General Headquarters' communique issued in Cairo yesterday states that in the Tobruk area heavy duststorms continue to limit our patrol activities. In the frontier area there is no change. The Suez Canal area had another air raid on Wednesday night. Two were killed and 28 injured and slight damage to property was caused.—Reuter.

THIRD CONVICTION

Lam Sze-mui, 28, widow, with two previous convictions for a similar offence, was fined \$200, or two months' hard labour, and recommended for banishment by Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon this morning for keeping a brothel in Woosung Street.

Sub-Inspector C. Baysling said that at about midnight on Wednesday he raided and found nine girls at the premises. It was alleged that 80 per cent. of the girls' earnings went to accused whose expenses were only \$25 a month rent and electricity.

LADY NORTHCOTE

Lady Northcote is expected to arrive in the Colony over the week-end. On Tuesday, H.E. and Lady Northcote are to lunch with the Chinese Members of Council and their ladies at the residence of the Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam.

AERIAL LIFE-LINE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Government in Washington is rushing plans for an aerial life-line to the British forces in Africa and the Near East, although Pan-American Airways will operate the service, state the War and Navy Departments, who are actually drafting the plans.

It is considered that the most important diplomatic manoeuvres are under way to seek approval from Brazil for American Civil pilots to use their airfields. Natal will be the stepping stone for flying to Africa. — International News Service.

POLICE INSPECTOR INJURED

Divisional Inspector J. McWalter received nasty injuries to his arm in a traffic accident on Wednesday afternoon.

Inspector McWalter was riding in a motor cycle combination driven by Traffic Sergeant Sullivan in Aberdeen when the accident occurred. In swerving to avoid a dog on the road, the cycle overturned and Inspector McWalter was thrown out. Sergeant Sullivan escaped without hurt.

COST OF LIVING AND PROBLEM OF INFLATION

THE INSTRUCTION to take steps to bring war wage advances into line with the increased cost of living, which Wednesday's delegate conference of the Transport and General Workers Union gave its executive, represents a move in the disputed question of the method by which stabilisation of wages and prices can be secured which is occupying the attention of both Government and the leaders of organised Labour.

The Transport General Workers Union is one of the largest unions in industry and is represented solely or in conjunction with other unions on wage negotiation machinery in a great many industries.

Addressing the conference on Monday, the Minister of Labour, who has devoted many years to the creation of this Union, made it clear that Government was determined on its policy of wage stabilisation, which policy he had himself opposed until Government decided to stabilise prices, and stressed the view that the workers' own interests are always injured by the fact that a rise in prices always outstrips the rise in wages.

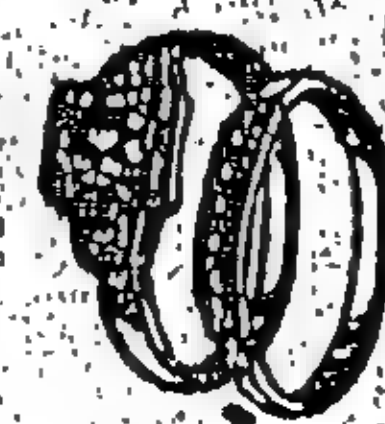
Commenting on the disparity in view on the question held by the Union movement and Government "The Times" sees in the resolution a possible prospect of agreement and some indication of "softening of the unyielding mood" up to now held by the Unions.

Although agreeing that control of prices and profits is necessary to prevent inflation, the Unions have not been prepared to say there should also be control of wages and contended, according to "The Times", that

"the dangers of inflation can be averted by a combination of price control, extensive rationing, prevention of increases of the cost of living through the placing on the Exchequer of unavoidable additions to the cost of essential commodities by taxation and by savings stimulated to the highest possible level."

Good Result

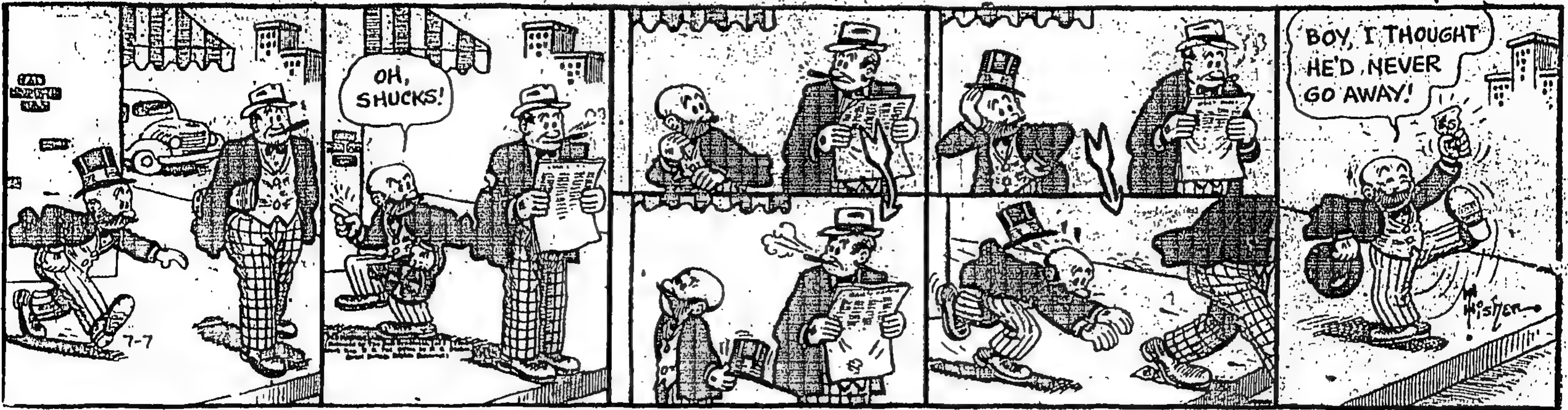
Drawing attention to that part of the Union's resolution calling on Government to prevent as far as it can any further rise in the cost of living, "The Times" states the inference to be drawn is that should Government accomplish this, the ground for further wartime wage increases would, from the Union's point of view, be removed and adds: "If the resolution can be read as meaning that with minor adjustments wages should be stationary while prices are stationary Mr. Bevin's address to the Conference on Monday will have had a good result." — British Wireless



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HUNDREDS OF FIGHTERS IN DAYLIGHT RAIDS

SINCE DAYLIGHT yesterday morning aircraft of the Fighter Command have continued to take part in offensive operations, safely escorting bombers to Ijmuiden, in Holland, attacking enemy shipping and sweeping far inland over enemy occupied territory, says the Air Ministry news service. Many hundreds of fighters took part in these operations.

As a result of the strict checking system in claiming results which the Fighter Command insists upon, only one ME109 is claimed as definitely destroyed up to 6 p.m. last evening. This was seen to crash but it is believed that many others shared the same fate though low cloud prevented our pilots seeing the end of the victims.

Many pilots' reports contain passages such as these: "He spiralled down into cloud out of control," "I saw pieces come off the ME and it dived vertically into cloud and probably crashed."

Although many enemy pilots avoided combat with our Spitfires and Hurricanes, others attacked our fighters, when they were encountered in smaller numbers.

One fighter pilot who attacked an E-boat from 100 feet reports a hit by cannon shells in the magazine of the ship. A violent explosion followed.

Other fighters safely escorted bombers to and from the target in Holland—the important steel works at Ijmuiden which is now working for the Nazis.

Bombed From 50 Feet

The attack was made from a low level and fighter pilots saw many bombs bursting on the works' buildings.

Bombers with fighter escorts have now taken in hand factories in Holland where the Germans are making armaments, states the Air Ministry news service.

Yesterday morning Blenheims of the Bomber Command, accompanied by many squadrons of fighters, attacked from 50 feet the steel works and iron foundry at Ijmuiden.

This lies about a mile inland on the north side of Ijmuiden harbour, where the North Sea canal from Amsterdam flows in.

The works produce high grade pig iron such as is used for gas engines, cylinder steel for steam cylinders and strong low carbon iron for diesel cylinders, hydraulic presses and pistons.

Rolling Mill Hit

The rolling mill, vital part of the works, was hit by several bombs released by the first wave of Blenheims. The second wave followed within a few minutes and more bombs burst between rows of chimneys in the centre of the works.

Before our bombers left the coast they machine-gunned a barrack square near the sand dunes.

Later in the day other forces of Blenheims, again protected by fighters, bombed industrial objectives and railways in Northern France.

An Air Ministry communique states: "Blenheim aircraft of the Bomber Command carried out three attacks on enemy-occupied territory yesterday. In each operation they were escorted by strong forces of fighters and no bombers were lost."

"An attack was made on the iron and steel works at Ijmuiden, in Holland, where direct hits were obtained on the rolling mills and other parts of the works."

"In two offensives carried out over Northern France industrial targets and railway communications in the St. Omer and Bethune areas were bombed."

14 Fighters Missing

"Fighter escorts fought a number of engagements with enemy fighters one of which was destroyed."

"E-boats in the Channel were attacked by our fighters with cannon and machine-gun fire. A large explosion was caused on one and another was left smoking."

"Fourteen of our fighters are missing but one pilot is safe."

"Other fighters escorted aircraft of the Coastal Command in an attack on enemy shipping off the French coast. One aircraft was lost in this operation." — British Wireless.

BOMBER DOWNED

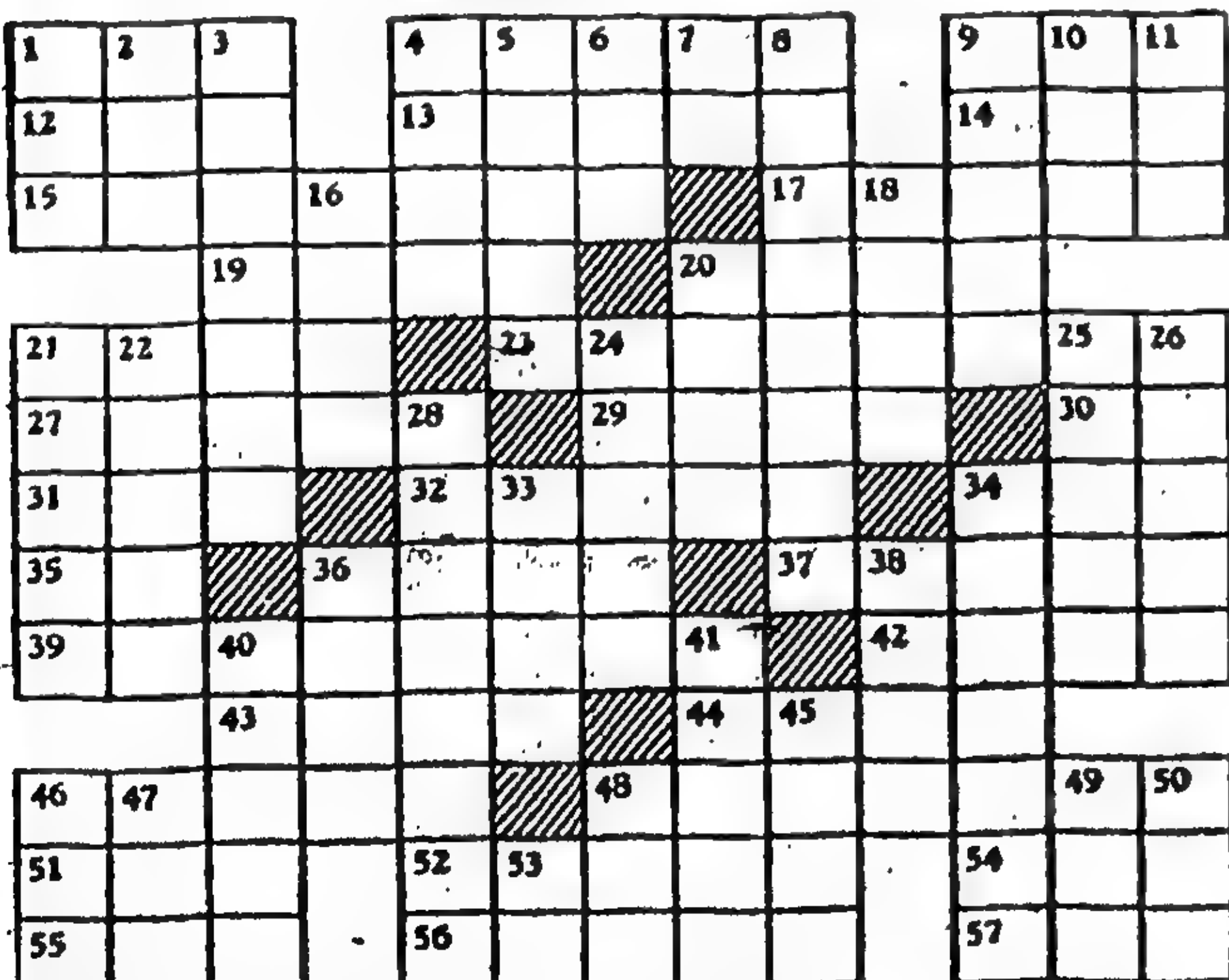
R.A.F. fighters shot down an enemy bomber into the sea off the East Coast of England before dusk last evening, says Reuter from London.

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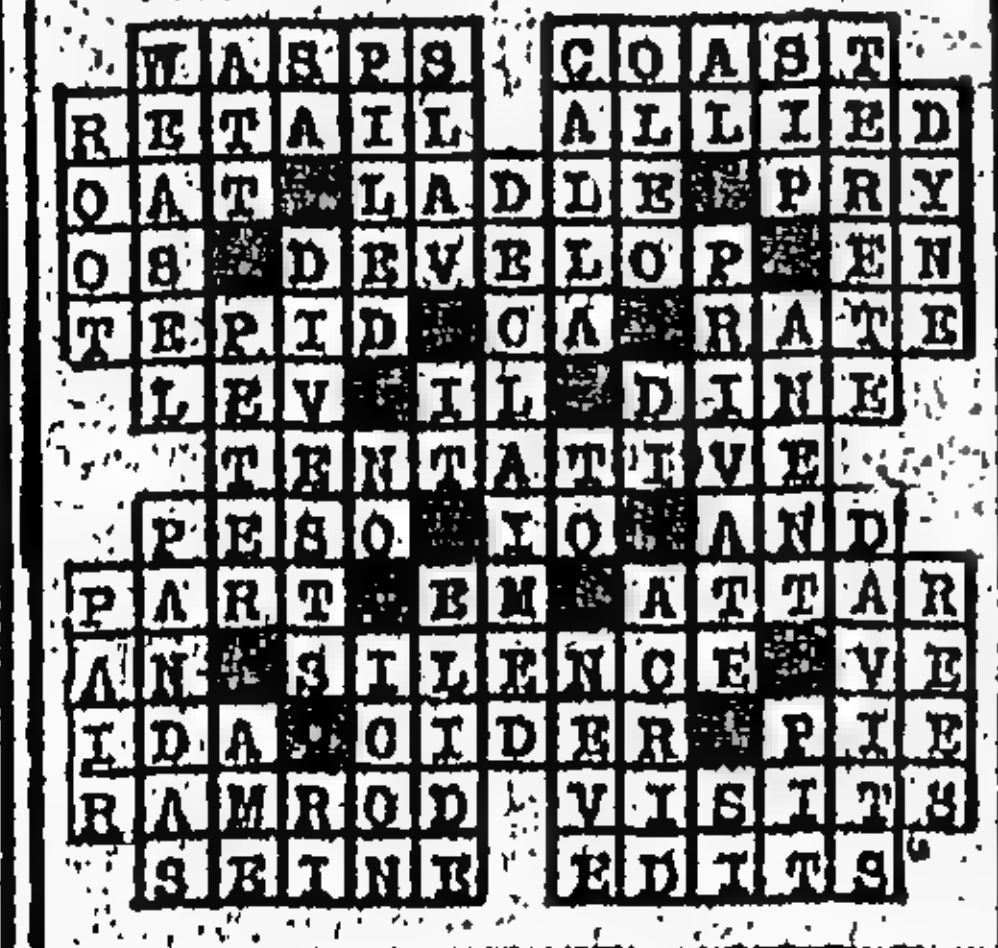
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- 4 Strides
- 9 Music: as written
- 12 Literary scraps
- 13 Odour
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- 15 Peasimistic
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- 19 Monotonous
- 20 Part of a clarinet
- 21 Go away!
- 23 Laws
- 27 Roofing tin
- 29 Dutch cheese
- 30 Greek letter
- 31 Anglo-Saxon money
- 32 Underground worker
- 34 Witty phrase
- 35 Negative
- 36 Rocky crags
- 37 To long
- 39 Belings
- 42 Three-spotted card
- 43 Goddess of discord
- 44 Implement
- 46 Gem carved in relief

VERTICAL

- 1 Pouch
- 2 Some
- 3 Greek mythological character
- 4 South American rodent
- 5 Gamins
- 6 Mountain pass
- 7 Printer's measure
- 8 Hygienic
- 9 Holy person
- 10 Hebrew letter
- 11 Part of "to be"
- 16 Mineral
- 18 Starch plant
- 20 Ordered
- 21 Rock
- 22 Wading bird
- 24 Taut
- 25 To come into operation
- 26 Bright
- 28 Feelings
- 33 Part of the eye
- 34 Conferences
- 36 To fatigue
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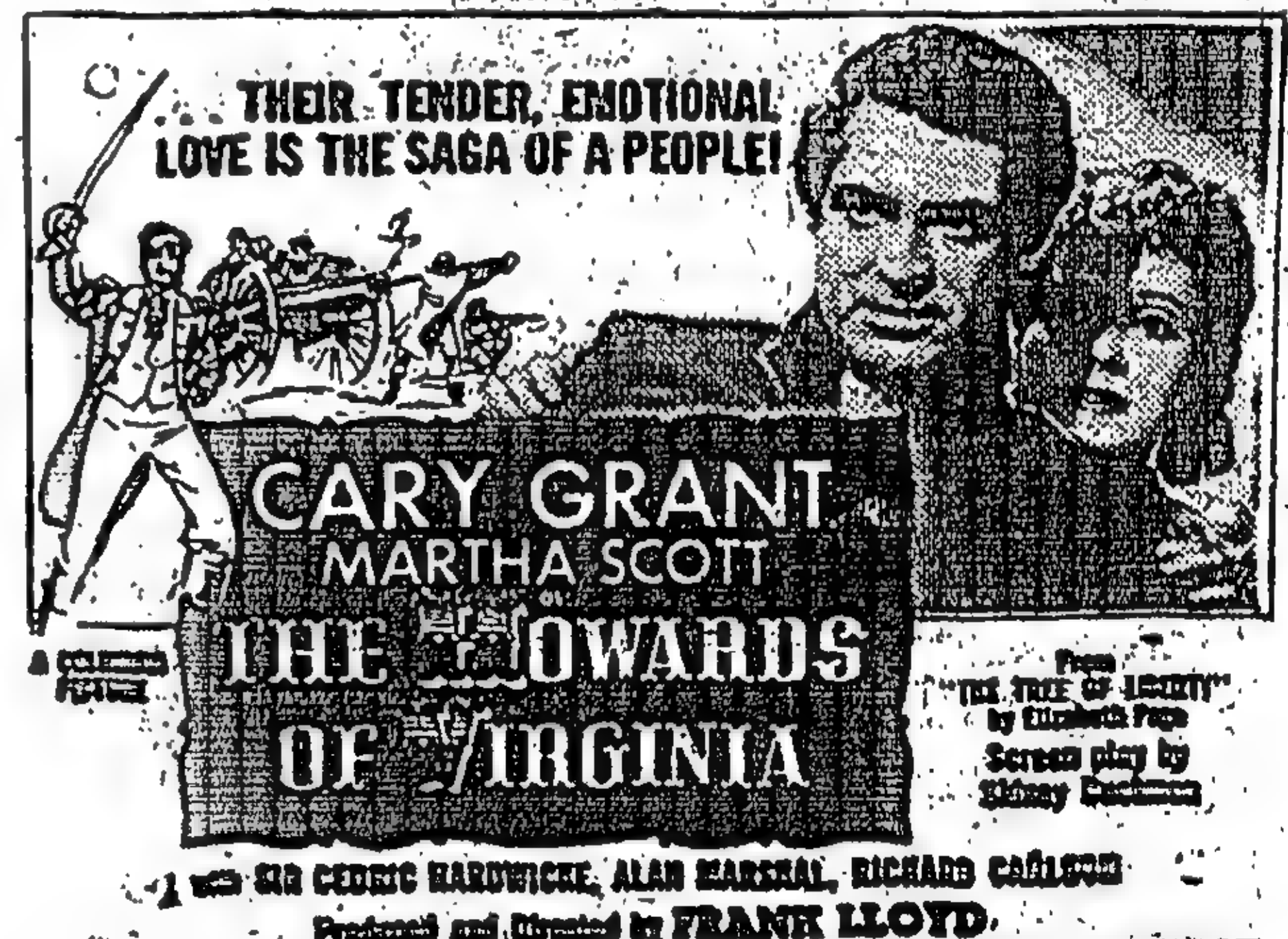
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THE RUSSIAN GARRISON LEFT BEHIND IN ODESSA TO FORM ANOTHER TOBRUK ARE FIGHTING DESPERATELY AND SO FAR WITH SUCCESS, WRITES "ANNALIST" IN A MILITARY COMMENTARY ON THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE RUSSO-GERMAN OPERATIONS.

Odessa, he says, should prove a difficult nut to crack, especially as the Germans will probably attempt its reduction with the aid of Rumanian troops.

On the rest of the Ukrainian front, the situation has not altered materially and the passage of the Dnieper has not been forced.

TERRIFIC ODESSA BATTLE

An unfinished battleship and cruiser that were on the shipyard stocks at the Black Sea port of Nikolaiev, were blown up before the Soviet forces evacuated the port.

This fact was revealed in Moscow yesterday by M. Lozovsky, the Soviet spokesman.

Questioned about the German claim to have captured a battleship and other vessels there, he said this was untrue.

The battleship and cruiser on the stocks were without engines and were blown up together with the shipyards, he added.

REPLYING TO REUTER, M. LOZOVSKY SAID THAT ODESSA WAS NEITHER A DUNKIRK NOR A TOBRUK. "IT IS ODESSA," HE SAID, "ONE OF THE FIERCEST AND MOST MEMORABLE BATTLES OF THIS WAR."—REUTER.

CUT IN CAR OUTPUT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE INDUSTRY HAS BEEN ORDERED TO CUT PRODUCTION 20 PER CENT. IN THE NEXT FOUR MONTHS AND PROGRESSIVELY TO CURTAIL OPERATIONS TO 50 PER CENT. AT THE END OF THE YEAR.

The cut was ordered by Mr. William Knudsen, Office of Production Management chief, and Mr. Leon Henderson, Federal Price Administrator, after a meeting with major car makers yesterday. Manufacturers were asked to increase the production of military trucks for Britain and Russia. — International News Service.

KEARNEY STRIKE

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT HAS CALLED IN CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANISATION REPRESENTATIVES FOR DISCUSSION OF THE SHIPBUILDING STRIKE IN THE KEARNEY (N.J.) YARDS.

The President requested that the C.I.O. hold further negotiations with the shipyard management and if possible end the deadlock as the Government did not want to take over the yards if this could possibly be avoided. — Reuter.

DEFENCE ISSUE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Senator Truman, who is investigating U.S. defence, warned at San Diego (Cal) yesterday that unless defence contracts are given to more small plants thousands would go bankrupt. — International News Service.

The German claim the capture of Narva, Novgorod and Kherson, The Russian communique speaks only of stubborn fighting at Odessa, Gomel and Novgorod.

The loss of Kherson was a foregone conclusion with the Germans overrunning the lower reaches of the west bank of the Dnieper. It is a considerable commercial port, but it could not be defended by improvised forces specially as it is on the wrong side of the river.

No great change is expected in the Ukraine operations for the present. It will take some time for the German High Command to get together a sufficient striking force and all the paraphernalia required for an operation of the magnitude of the forcing of the Dnieper.

Leningrad Drive

Furthermore, there are indications that the main attack has been switched back north once again with Leningrad as the objective. This offensive is now in full swing, but it is not likely to be as prolonged as the first two, although it will be intensive while it lasts.

The Russians still have room to employ the cushion tactics that have proved so successful hitherto, which enable them to absorb shock without undue loss to themselves while exacting costly payment from the enemy.

They are, however, getting near to the region where they will be fighting with their backs to the wall in defence of the great industrial belt of Leningrad. They will then not be able to yield any further, but it will remain to be seen whether the German blows have not lost a lot of their weight.

Gomel Thrust

The new German thrust is also developing in the central sector of Gomel, between Smolensk and Kiev. It has met with local success, but it is not clear whether the Germans will continue to drive eastward towards Moscow, or south-east so as to menace the rear of Kiev.

The numbers engaged in these gigantic battles are so immense that it is obvious that even the Germans cannot put their maximum weight into all fronts at once.

But this is the sector to which they attach the utmost importance as it is directed against Moscow and it is probable that they will make a desperate effort to effect that breach in the Russian line which has so far defied all their strategy. — Reuter.

HITLER SEES FATE

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent)

GERMAN OFFICERS IN RUSSIA HAVE RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM BERLIN TO TELL THE TROOPS THAT THE SEVERITY OF THE RUSSIAN WINTER IS GROSSLY EXAGGERATED AND ALL THE MEN NEED TO WITHSTAND THE RIGOURS OF WINTER IS THICK CLOTHING PLUS VALINKIS (RUSSIAN FELT BOOTS) WHICH ARE TO BE TAKEN FROM THE PEASANTS.

These instructions, which I learn from an authoritative source in Ankara show that Hitler realises that a winter campaign is inevitable and that his men are nervous about the winter. — Reuter.

SHEER SUICIDE FOR JAPAN

"It would be sheer suicide for Japan to fight, as she has not control of the air, without which her navy cannot operate," said Sir Victor Sassoon on arrival in Singapore yesterday from Hong Kong.

Sir Victor added he did not think Japan would go to war. — Reuter.

TO BEAT HITLER AT OWN GAME

Britain's latest and fastest cruiser tanks, "Covenanter," are probably the best designed tank of their type in the world.

Britain's armoured divisions are now equipped with many of this type, as well as every description of fighting vehicles, trucks, cars and motor-cycles.

It has been suggested in German military circles that the war has now reached such a high degree of technical perfection that it would be impossible in the comparatively short period of a war itself to train men for such specialised fighting units, but the British Army has now many technical formations capable of their own guns.

The latest British tanks have given even greater speed to armoured divisions without diminishing their striking power and many of the lessons learned in this present war are represented in the most recent models.

A typical division with its moving armoured HQ, familiarly called "The Tin Hearse," and including the latest American-made 70 m.p.h. armoured trucks, has, in addition to its own artillery, scout cars, medical corps, anti-tank, anti-aircraft and infantry units. — Reuter.

POLISH ARMY IN RUSSIA

AN ARMY OF BETWEEN 100,000 AND 120,000 POLISH SOLDIERS IS LIKELY TO BE FORMED ON SOVIET TERRITORY, ACCORDING TO THE PRESENT ESTIMATE OF GENERAL W. ANDERS, THE NEWLY-APPOINTED POLISH COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN SOVIET RUSSIA, AND GENERAL SZYSZKO-BOHUSZ, CHIEF OF THE POLISH MISSION THERE.

It was reported in London yesterday from Moscow, where these generals have taken up duties, that it is considered that a Polish army of between four and six army corps could be raised from among Polish war prisoners capable of bearing arms. — Reuter.

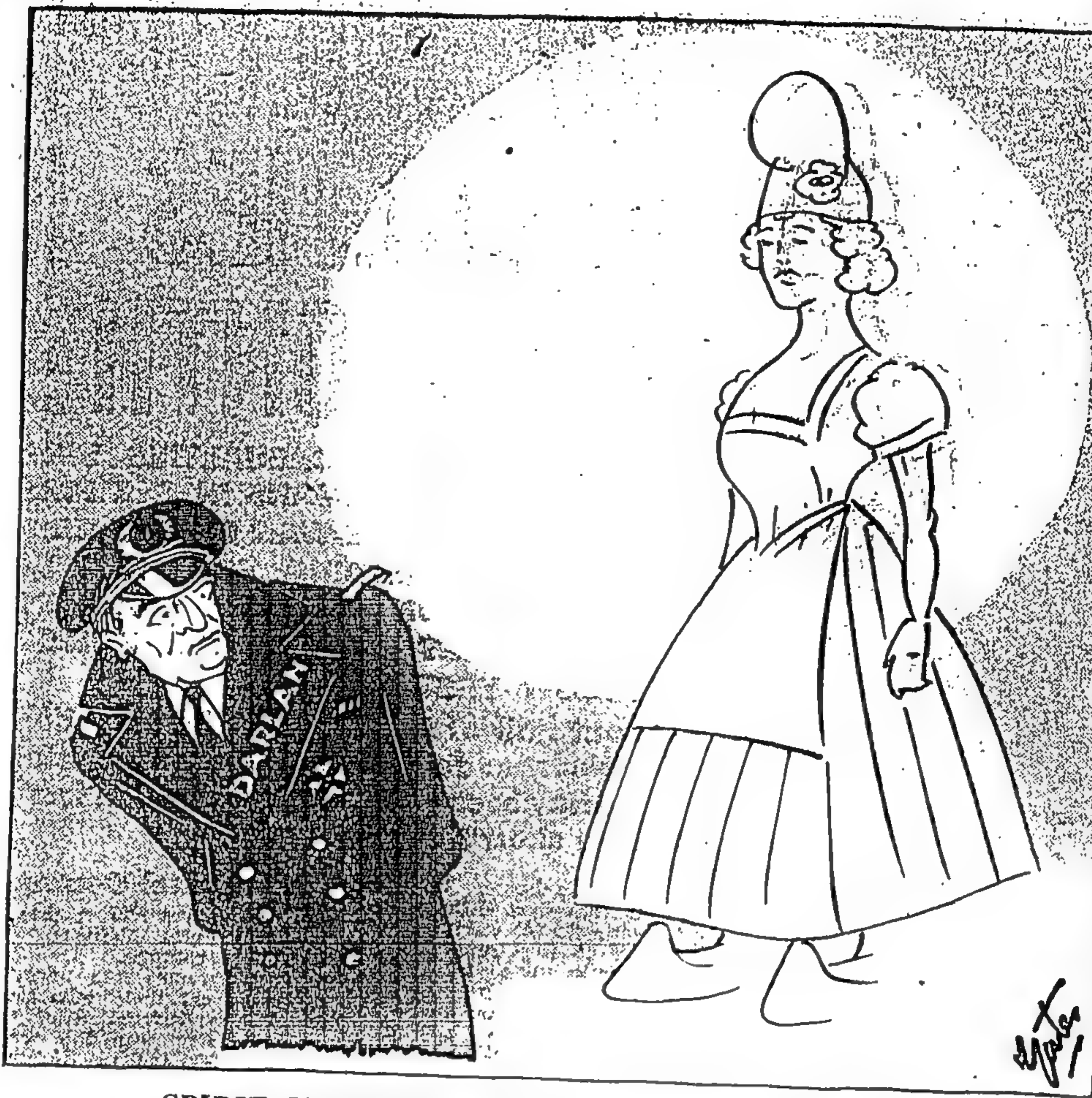
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THE BATTLE OF THE WEST

As Dr. Goebbels continues hastily putting out photographs of, presumably, good Nazis painting "V's" on locomotives, he only deepens one's interest in the progress of the second great battle on the Continent — the secret Battle of the West, in which there are no fronts, no war maps and few communiqués, but which can be of critical importance. We have seen two great wars — the Napoleonic and the first World War — won neither in the East nor in the West but by interaction between the two. It is not with their bombers alone that the British are now fighting in the West. The "V" campaign, as it was announced from London, may have seemed only a gigantic publicity stunt to the strains of Beethoven's "fate" motive. There is no doubt that there is more to it than that.

There are more than hints of large-scale sabotage organised on the Continent. There is, moreover, somewhat less credible, a story from Berne about the wrecking of German troop trains in occupied France, with British parachutists assisting the French saboteurs, and painted "V's" left to decorate the wreckage. There is a story about a colossal explosion in Austria, when a huge underground benzene store was blown up; there are stories about destroyed munitions factories; there are stories about serious sabotage behind the lines in Poland. How much reality there may be behind these stories or how far they are simply part of a "war of nerves" we do not know; but the German munitions train which was, beyond doubt, recently wrecked and exploded in Sweden at least gives pause.

The stories are timed not only to Beethoven's theme but to the thunderous crash of British bombs on western Germany about which the Nazis have shut down, an iron silence. It is all a part of single great battle, a battle of destruction of resources and communications and factory capacity, a battle of sabotage, a battle of nerves, a battle of propaganda, at once to weaken the German hope of victory and rouse the spirit of undying resistance in the victim peoples. It is an attempt by every possible means to utilise the immense de-



SPIRIT OF FREE FRANCE: REMEMBER SYRIA?

Nazi Stooges In Japan

As in other countries, the Nazi Fifth Column in Japan relies heavily on non-German stooges and go-betweens.

Nationals from occupied territories in Europe, German vassal states and doubtful neutrals like Spain and Sweden provide a bizarre assortment of stool pigeons and informers, some posing as anti-Nazi, who frequent such places as hotel lobbies, summer resorts, foreign-style restaurants and bars, and the Tokyo and American clubs.

There are the sordid types, the broken-down renegades, beach-combers and bar-fies of Tokyo's foreign community, who get their hand-outs from the German Embassy.

Glamour Girls Imported

The more romantic side is provided by White Russian filles de joie imported from Shanghai and Tientsin, glamorous ladies from Central Europe and the Balkans, slightly tarnished butterflies who flit mysteriously about the Far East with ample funds, sleek Chinese bar girls and demure Japanese cafe waitresses.

Scores of ultra-nationalist Asiatics act as henchmen, go-betweens and agents provocateurs for the Nazi fifth column.

The Great Mogul of the Indian collaborators is Rash Behari Bose, head of the India Independence League in Japan, a naturalised Japanese. He fled to Japan in 1915 after attempting a number of revolutionary plots and hurling

democratic forces latent under the German dictatorship; to proclaim the peoples' war which will drain the strength of that dictatorship much as the rebellion of the Spanish people, with British support, once drained the life blood out of the Napoleonic colossus. So, at any rate, it must be intended; for no one needs to tell Mr. Churchill that this is, above all, the moment for every possible offensive effort in the West.

a bomb at and severely injuring Lord Hardinge, Viceroy of India. In still other ways, in addition to the use of non-Germans, the story of Nazi propaganda methods in Japan follows the pattern employed by German fifth columns in other countries. Its aims in Japan, however, are specialised

By Charles N. Spinks

and influenced by Japan's present position in the Pacific, and the Japanese Government's present obligations under the Tripartite Alliance.

Nazi propaganda objectives, therefore, are directed toward the achievement of two principal goals:

- (1) The rightist revolution which will make Japan a totalitarian vassal of the Third Reich.
- (2) The promotion of a Japanese-American war by convincing Japan that southward expansion into the East Indies can be achieved without such a war.

The German Embassy in Tokyo, the fountain-head of this propaganda campaign, is assisted in this work by DNB and Trans-ocean, the two German news agencies which deal in editorial fabrications. Both have headquarters in Tokyo. In addition, there are no less than 150 German "press representatives" stationed in Japan, as against only six correspondents from the U.S. and about three from the British Empire.

Distribute Nazi Literature

One of the principal tasks of the Nazi newspaper men is to raise the right sort of questions for Official Spokesman Ko Ishii of the Cabinet Information Bureau during his regular press conferences and to head off the direct or embarrassing queries posed by other correspondents.

Loaded With German Books

Look at Tokyo to-day. It is spattered with numerous pro-Axis pamphlets, works sponsored by patriotic societies, or written by retired army officers (General

ly members of the powerful Meirinkai). Go into Maruzen's Book Store at Kyobashi, Tokyo, the largest retail bookshop in Japan. Almost half the foreign book section covering the second floor is given over to German publications, mostly rank Nazi propaganda enterprises.

It is by control of the Japanese press, however, that the Nazi Fifth Column in Japan has been most successful. This was made possible by working agreements with the Home Office censors and the Kempeitai, or military police. To suppress unfavourable news is only half of this propaganda job. Of equal importance is to obtain the publication of the right kind of news. This the Germans have achieved by a number of ways.

Through what amounted to outright bribes, the Nazis have gained complete control of the "Hochi" and the "Kokumin Shimbun," third-rate Tokyo dailies. Both have carried the editorial brunt of the Fifth Column's campaign in Japan. The "Kokumin" was reached in the autumn of 1939 through its long-standing connections with the Japanese Army.

In the spring of 1938 the "Hochi" passed into the hands of a bankrupt political agitator, formerly president of the Japanese German Anti-Comintern Society, who was supplied with the necessary funds by Nazi Presseleiter Jacob Sahl.

The German fifth column unsuccessfully attempted to buy out two American-owned papers in Tokyo, the "Japan Advertiser" and "Japan News-Week." Three times the value of the latter publication, in U.S. dollars, was offered. But the American owner refused to negotiate with the Germans.

Advertiser Is Sold

Last autumn, however, the "Japan Advertiser" was sold to the Japan Times Publishing Co., controlled by the Japanese Foreign Office. Now known as the "Japan Times and Advertiser," the former American daily has been fully geared to the Nazi fifth column, despite the efforts of its able publisher Toshi Go to keep it a first-rate newspaper.

Shortly after the change of ownership, a special stooge was appointed to the paper's staff, a worn-out official from the Japanese diplomatic service. His task is not to see that this Japanese-owned and edited paper does not publish material harmful to Japan, but to insure that all news, editorials and photographs have the proper pro-Axis flavour. And what a time the editorial staff had composing pro-Italian headlines for the articles on Italy's defeats in Albania and Lybia last winter.

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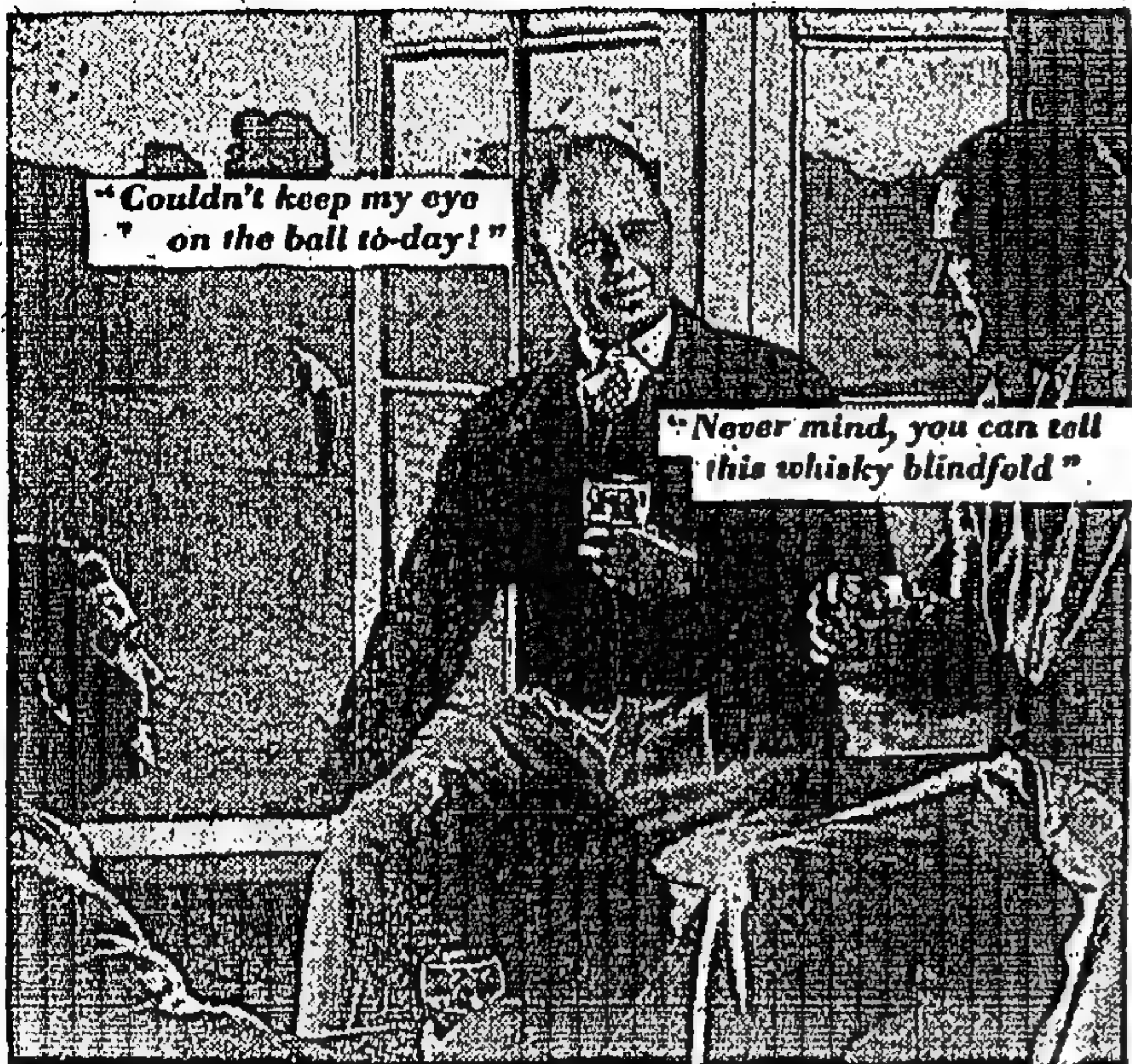
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TWO MILLION NAZI CASUALTIES IN FIRST TWO MONTHS

NEARLY 2,000,000 CASUALTIES WERE SUFFERED BY THE GERMANS IN THE FIRST TWO MONTHS OF THE WAR ON THE EASTERN FRONT, ACCORDING TO A RUSSIAN ESTIMATE ANNOUNCED BY M. LOZOVSKY FROM THE SOVIET INFORMATION BUREAU IN MOSCOW YESTERDAY.

About half of this 2,000,000 were killed, M. Lozovsky added, saying "Never in history has an army been known to suffer such losses in such a short time."

Against these losses, he continued, it was true Hitler had gained some Soviet territory but it afforded no food supplies and contained only ruined towns and villages and blown up factories. Moreover, Hitler had to cope with guerilla warfare and the hatred of the populations in occupied regions.

Three initial points in German propaganda had been disproved by the first two months of war.

Firstly, that the Red Army was not a serious opponent.

Secondly, that Soviet industry was incapable of standing the strain.

Thirdly, that the Soviet population would welcome deliverance from a Government ruling only by force.

Exceptional Courage

The facts had shown that the Red Army was fighting with exceptional courage.

The Germans had been obliged to eat their own words about the destruction of the Red air fleet and the entire force of Red tanks.

As for the morale of the Soviet population, the German newspaper "Voelkischer Beobachter," in its issue on Wednesday, had been obliged to say: "The stubbornness of the Soviet defence can be explained in large measure by the consideration that Bolshevism during 25 years has succeeded in establishing such power that it is accepted without discussion by the masses."—Reuter.

JAPANESE COME TO SAME CONCLUSION

"The situation on the eastern front makes an attempt at invading England improbable this year," states the Berlin correspondent of the Tokyo "Asahi" in a cable to his newspaper in Tokyo yesterday, says Reuter.

Aussie Pilots In Combat

The Australian High Commissioner yesterday heard several thrilling stories from pilots of one of the first Australian fighter squadrons to operate from Britain.

One sergeant pilot told how a few days ago he had taken part in an offensive sweep and on the way back from France spotted an ME109 which was to him "easy meat."

He gave the German a few seconds of cannon and machine-gun fire and then heard a comrade warning him over the radio telephone that there were three of them diving on his tail.

"I went into a steep left hand turn and managed to get inside the Germans but one of them was coming head on at me. I can hardly remember pressing the gun button but to my horror the German came straight towards my Spitfire."

"I must have killed him with about the first shot and his ME passed about three feet over my head before it crashed."

When he landed safely at base this pilot found there was only one bullet hole in his aircraft—on a wing tip.

In little more than three weeks this squadron has destroyed 18 German fighters while there are three probables on the list. They have lost five machines.—British Wireless.

POTENTIAL CHINA AIR PILOTS

One hundred and twenty Chinese volunteers from Singapore have been sent to Manila by the Chinese Government for air training by American experts, according to Shanghai Chinese reports.

After completing the course they will return to China to join the Chinese air force.—Reuter.

COAST LANDING TRAINING

Several thousand troops of the 1st Canadian Division were recently put through a strenuous week of secret training in coast assault tactics in preparation for the time when the British offensive strikes back at the Nazis in Europe.

The brigade group included infantry, engineers, artillery, machine-gun, medical and signal units. It slipped quietly away from its southern England camp area and travelled by train and boat to special training territory.

The Canadians, aided by British Army and Navy officers, learned the trying technique of assault landings on beaches and within a few days were effecting rapid landings in full battle kit.

The deepest secrecy surrounded the unexpected drill in invasion preparations. Some of the Canadians were put into blunt-nosed motor landing vessels used six months ago in the Lofoten Island raid.

Two infantry regiments went through a most strenuous drill with route marches of from 10 to 20 miles or practice in jumping from shipboard to small bobbing boats and effecting landings on coastal areas.—British Wireless.

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Mackenzie King Opposes Imperial War Cabinet Idea

MR. MACKENZIE KING, Prime Minister of Canada, saw Lord Cranborne, Secretary of State for the Dominions, at the Dominions Office yesterday. He also called on Mr. Angus Macdonald, Canadian Minister of Defence, at his hotel.

A large gathering of journalists, presided over by Mr. Brendan Bracken, Minister of Information, met Mr. Mackenzie King at the Ministry of Information when he was questioned on his views about an Imperial War Cabinet.

In reply the Canadian Premier said he thought they had a most perfect and continuous conference of Cabinets that any group of nations could possibly have. It was essential to have effective means of communication between different parts.

"I have been in office for many years," said Mr. Mackenzie King, "and I say without hesitation that I cannot conceive a more effective means of communication than that which now exists."

Direct Touch

He added that as head of the Government, he received communications direct from Mr. Winston Churchill and was also able to communicate with him.

In addition, communications came almost hourly from the Dominions office, giving a complete picture of what was taking place.

Moreover, the Canadian High Commissioner in London obtained a personal account of what was going on from the Secretary of State for the Dominions from day to day, while Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, British High Commissioner in Canada, received other communications which he was able to impart personally to the Prime Minister or other Ministers of Canada.

At all times, but particularly in times of great emergency, important decisions should be made not by one man, but by the Government as a whole. Under the present arrangements, if the communication were addressed by the United Kingdom Government to the Government of Canada, the Canadian Prime Minister was able to give expression to the collective opinion of the Cabinet representing parliament and the people of Canada.

More Effective

"It might seem," went on Mr. Mackenzie King, "that some Imperial Cabinet sitting in London would be more effective in making decisions. But what is expressed to-day through the Cabinets of the Dominions is infinitely more effective in reaching quick and true decisions than any other arrangements could possibly be."

"I was present at the meeting of the War Committee of the British Cabinet to-day. I would not be in a position, on my own initiative, to say without consultation with my colleagues in Ottawa, and through them with their Service colleagues, just what was the opinion which could be given to the Government."

"That would mean cabling to the other side and getting word back before I could communicate. It is very much easier to give the Cabinet opinion by being able to discuss it with my colleagues in all the phases and thus represent it to the Government here as the collective opinion."

Mr. Mackenzie King said that there had never been a time when relations had been closer than they were to-day, nor when they had less in the way of differences between them.

No Differences

There had never been a single point of difference, on any essential matter since the beginning of the war, between the Canadian and United Kingdom Governments. In the last war differences arose continuously between the Governments and between military and civil authorities. In this war there had not been any difference between military and civil authorities, or between the Governments themselves.

The reason was that before any important step had been taken, the Dominions had been consulted and had been able to express their views and a general consensus had been reached as a result.—Reuter.

LONDON WAR CONFERENCE

AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IS TO BE HELD IN LONDON IN THE NEAR FUTURE AND IT CAN BE ASSUMED THAT THE CHURCHILL-ROOSEVELT EIGHT-POINT DECLARATION WILL ENGAGE THE ATTENTION OF THE MEETING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ALLIED GOVERNMENTS.

First meeting of this kind was held in London on June 12 and it will be recalled that the third paragraph of the resolution then adopted was not only consistent with the Churchill-Roosevelt declaration but might almost be considered as a summary of the points made.

Steady development of Allied policy for the post-war period is regarded as a guarantee that all powers fighting Nazi Germany realise the importance of a world settlement which will bring not only political but also economic and industrial peace through the cooperation of freedom loving peoples.—British Wireless.

IRANIAN POSITION NOT SATISFACTORY

The written reply of the Iranian Government to the representations made by the British and Soviet Governments in regard to the presence in Iran of the excessive number of German nationals has not so far been received in London although it is expected very shortly.

Preliminary indications of its nature, derived from oral communications from the Iranian authorities concerned, have, however, not given a favourable impression of the Iranian Government's attitude.—British Wireless.

NEPHEW'S THEFT

For the theft of \$3,500 from his uncle, Hung Kwan-ming, 18, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning.

Nephew of Tse Tong, 49, contractor, of No. 212, Shauiwan Road, he stole the money in his uncle's absence. He went to Macao and lost \$1,000 in gambling. A sum of \$2,360 was recovered when accused was arrested. Detective Sergeant V. Morrison prosecuted.

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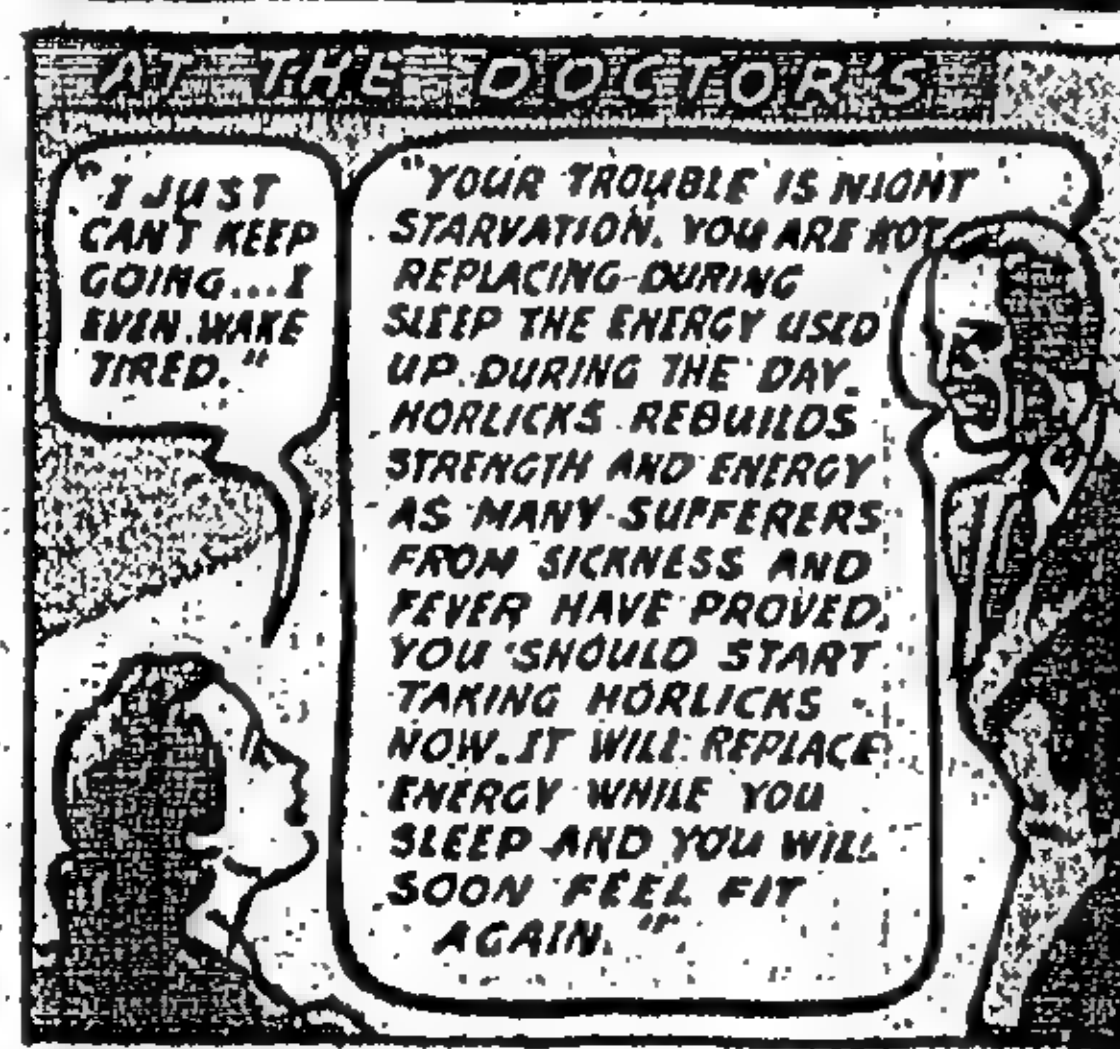
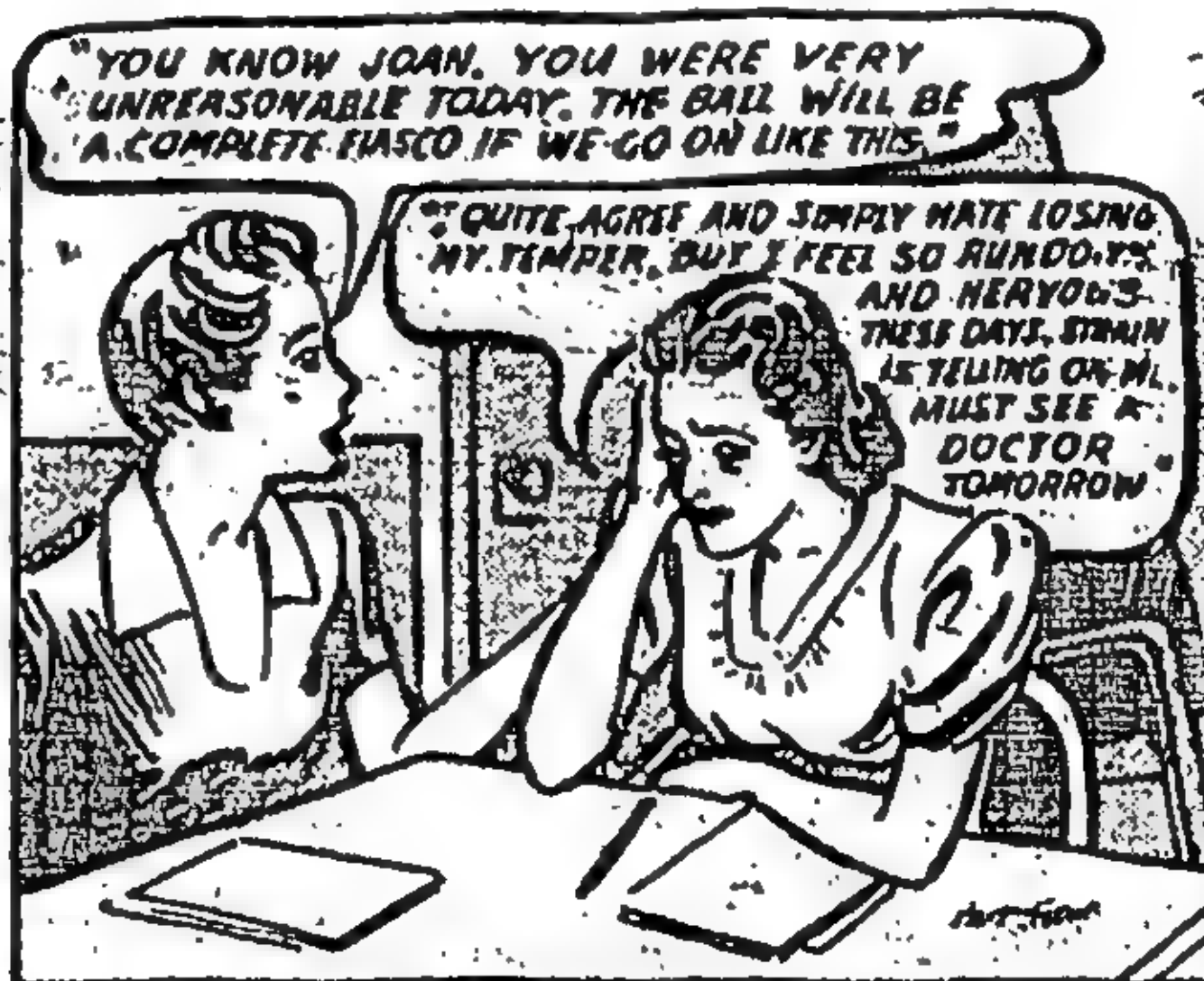
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BRIDGE NOTES

CRIME DOESN'T PAY!

No. 57

By The Four Aces

Keen detectives ought to spot to-day's crime in no time:

North, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

NORTH
♠ A K J 10
♥ K
♦ A 10 9 8 2
♣ A 10 9

WEST
♠ 7 4
♥ J 5 2
♦ K Q J 7
♣ 6 3

EAST
♠ Q 9 8 3
♥ 10 9 3
♦ 4
♣ 8 7 5 4 2

SOUTH
♠ 6 5 2
♥ A Q 8 7 6 4
♦ 5
♣ K Q J

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♠	Pass	1♥	Pass
1♠	Pass	3♥	Pass
5♥	Pass	6♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		

West opened the King of diamonds, dummy winning with the Ace. The King of hearts was cashed, and a low diamond returned. East ruffed with the nine of hearts, and South over-ruffed with the Queen. Then South laid down the Ace of hearts and gave West his trump trick. Eventually, South took the spade finesse and was set one trick when that finesse lost.

One of the players committed a crime in the hand just described. Try to spot the crime for yourself before you read on.

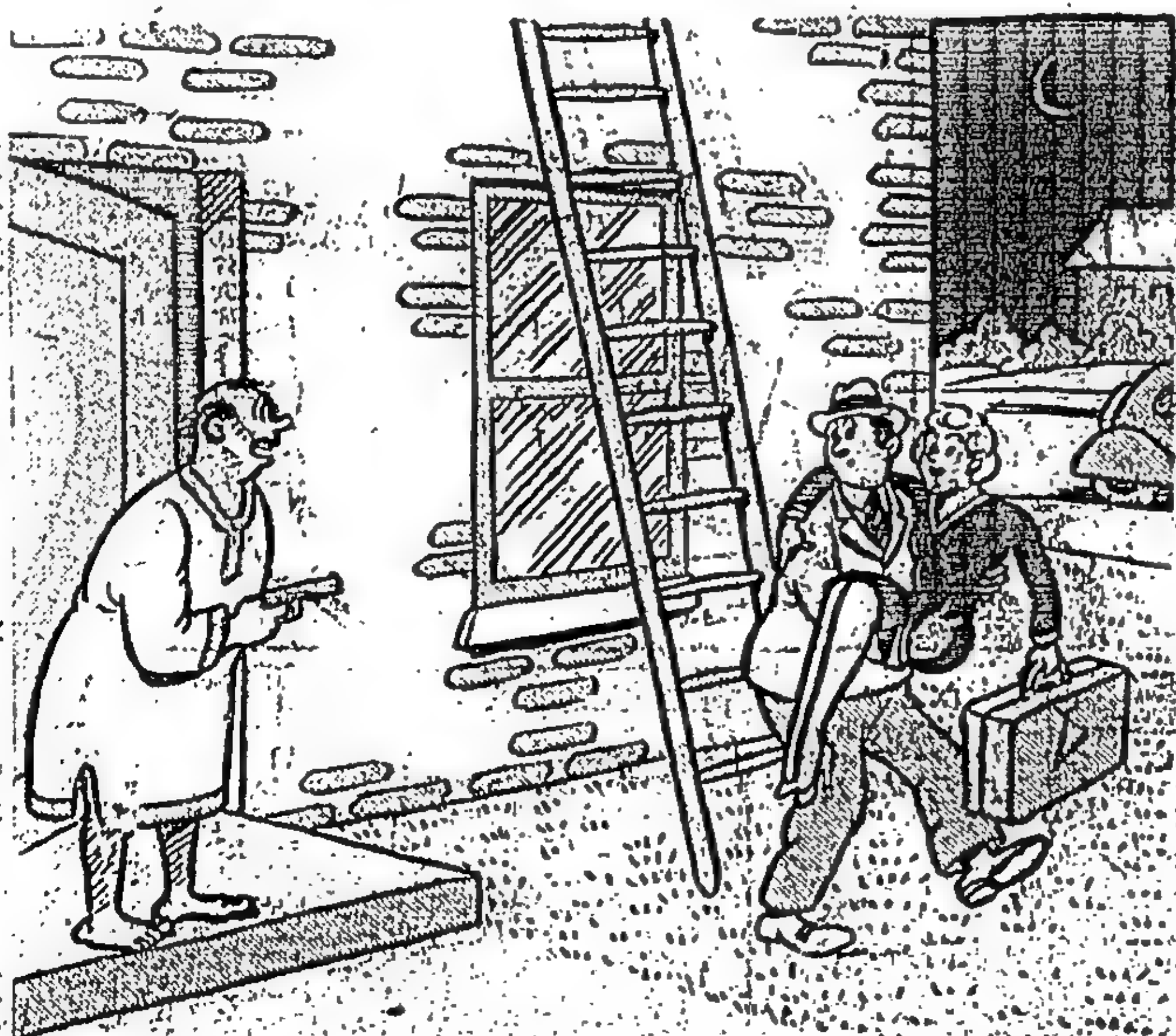
South was the criminal for over-ruffing East's nine of hearts. Correct play was to discard the losing spade, allowing East to hold the trick with his trump. South could then regain the lead, draw trumps without further loss and spread his hand for the rest of the tricks.

South cannot be blamed for leading the second round of diamonds, since a 4-3 split of the diamonds would enable him to set up a second diamond trick on which to discard the losing spade. The 6-1 diamond break gave East a chance to make a very neat defensive play, but South should have made an equally neat counter by discarding instead of over-ruffing.

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OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED



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Prince Bernhard Leads Airmen

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands visited an R.A.F. aerodrome yesterday where Dutch fighter pilots are in training, the Prince arriving in his own plane which he was piloting.

He took off as the leader of a training formation of nine machines all piloted by Dutch flyers.

On landing, Prince Bernhard said to his compatriots: "I am proud that thanks to the cooperation of the R.A.F. we are now able to train Dutchmen as fighter pilots here in England, so that shortly we may have many Dutch squadrons in action with the R.A.F."

"These squadrons will fly Spitfires presented by the N.E.I. I am grateful for the excellent training the R.A.F. has given me and I have no doubt that all of you appreciate the facilities given by Great Britain. I wish you all the best of luck during and after your training." —Reuter.

Maier's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ K J 7 3 3
♥ 8 5 3
♦ J 4
♣ 9 7 3

The bidding:

Maier	Jacoby	You	Schenker
1♠	2♣	Pass	Pass
2♦	Pass	(?)	

ANSWER: Bid three spades. A simple preference of two spades could not indicate your spade strength and moderate help for diamonds. The jump cannot deceive your partner since he knows that you could not bid freely over two clubs.

Score 100% for three spades, 50% for two spades.

Question No. 801

To-day you hold the same hand, but the bidding is different:

Maier	Jacoby	You	Schenker
1♠	2♣	Pass	Pass
2♦	2♥	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

BRITISH TRADE IN TURKEY

Mr. Horwill, the United Kingdom Commercial Corporation's representative in Baghdad has arrived to discuss questions with the United Kingdom Corporation in Ankara.

During the past year the Corporation bought 22,000,000 Turkish pounds worth of goods from Turkey including T£7,800,000 worth of raisins, T£3,000,000 worth of olive oil and T£3,300,000 worth of mohair.

At the same time, the Corporation, by placing huge orders in America and the British Empire, supplied Turkey with much-needed goods.

Goods valued at £580,000, have been delivered to Turkish traders while orders amounting to nearly £1,000,000 are under construction or en route.

Over 25,000 tons of goods are now in Egypt en route to Turkey and since Syria came into British hands delivery has been speeded up.—Reuter.

WATERLOO TROPHY IN NEW YORK

The Union Jack which was proudly flown above Waterloo Station through the heaviest air raids of the past twelve months has, in its tattered and damaged condition, been sent to New York where it is now displayed in the windows of the British Railways offices.—British Wireless.

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 8.47 p.m.—Sibelius—Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 43.
 7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Programme.
 8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
 8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Commentary.
 8.25 p.m.—London Relay—'Listening Post.'
 8.32 p.m.—Studio—Piano Recital by Harry Ore.
 1. Symphonic Studies (Schumann)
 2. Legend—'St. Francis Paulus Marching On The Waves (Liz)
 3. (a) At Evening (Ludw. Schutte)
 (b) By The Cradle (Ed. Gileg)
 (c) Etude in C (Cyril Scott)
 9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.
 9.02 p.m.—An Hour of Variety Recitals.
 9.45 10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).
 9.45 p.m.—Variety Requests (Continued).
 10.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentary.
 10.15 p.m.—Request Dance Music.
 11.00 p.m.—London—'Makers of History'. A Talk by Desmond MacCarthy on the 'Duke of Wellington'.
 11.15 p.m.—Close down.

BOWL OF RICE CAMPAIGN

The Bowl of Rice Campaign in aid of Chinese refugees, organised by the China Defence League, will be officially closed on September 1, when the results of the campaign will be announced, and banners presented to the contributing restaurants at an afternoon reception at the Ying King Restaurant, Wanchai.

The campaign, which is under the patronage of H.E. the Governor was opened by a dinner at the Ying King restaurant on July 1, when it was announced that it was hoped to raise a sum of H.K.\$40,000. Tickets for rice-bowls meals are still available from the China Defence League, 21 Seymour Road; or from the Comrades Office, Belgian Bank, 4a, Des Voeux Road.

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Norway Taking The Air

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The pilots are all fliers of great experience who were either in the Norwegian Air Force or were commercial pilots before the invasion of Norway.

The Commanding Officer is a Norwegian Air Force staff officer who escaped.—Reuter.

CRUELTY TO A PIGEON

Sir,—It has been brought to the notice of the Hong Kong Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals that a member of the Public brought to a place of amusement in the Colony a live pigeon, which was let loose and the guests were invited to catch it, the person catching it being given a prize. Immediately the matter was brought to the notice of the management, the Manager took steps to prevent its recurrence.

I am instructed by my Committee to point out that amusements of this nature are cruel, and to ask members of the Public to cooperate with the Society in trying to prevent similar so-called forms of amusement and to say that the Society will be most grateful to anybody who will let us know either of any proposal for so-called entertainment of this nature or of similar incidents.

W. REES HARRISS,
 Hon. Secretary.

FOOD SUPPLIES TO BRITAIN

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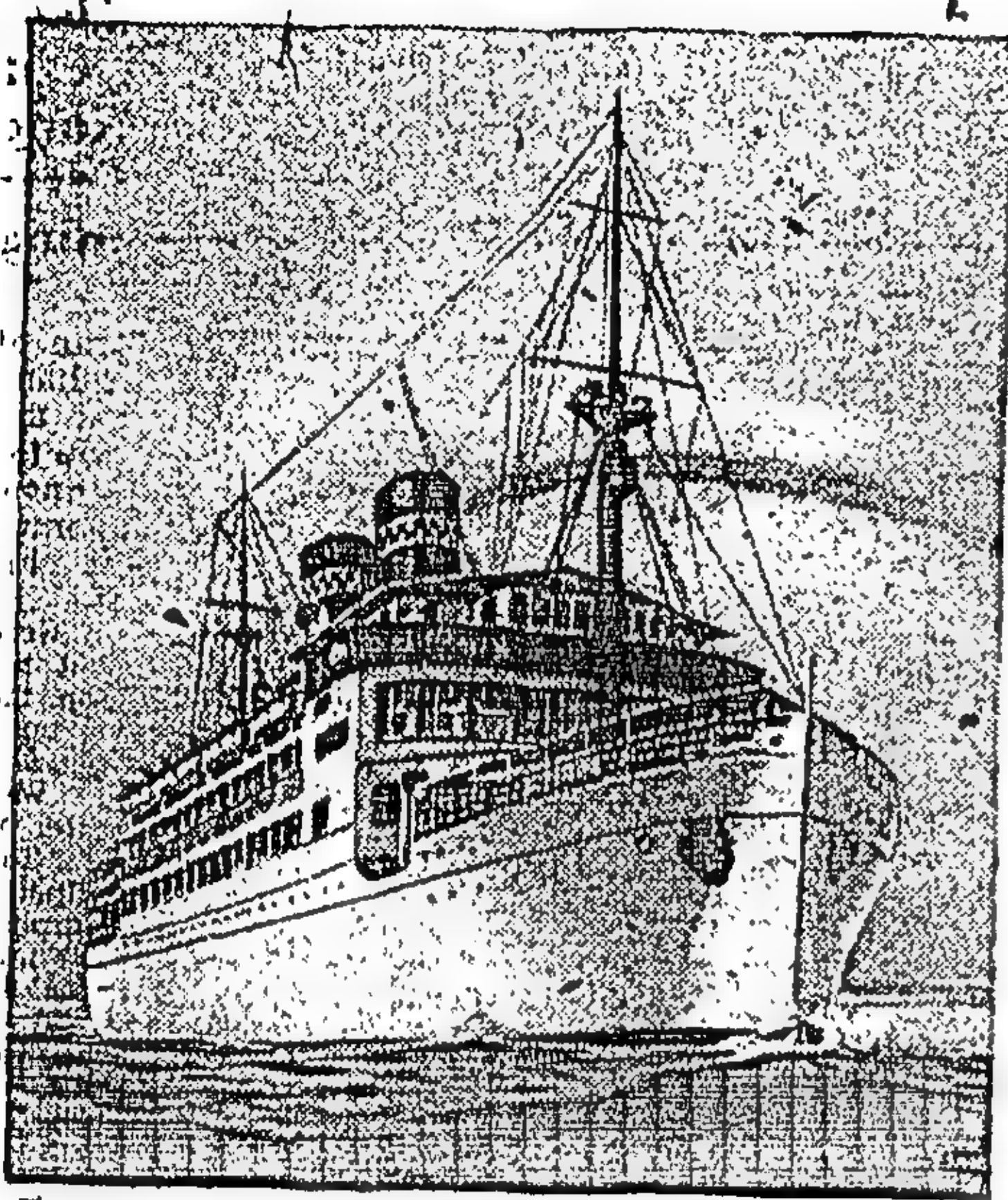
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Lord Louis Mountbatten was in command of H.M.S. Kelly which was once nearly sunk in a dive-bombing attack in the Channel, and was subsequently sunk off Crete.

It will be recalled that "Illustrious" was the main target of German and Italian dive-bombers on January 10 when British war ships were escorting a large and vital convoy to Greece.

The Admiralty then announced that she was struck by seven large bombs which put several of her guns out of action and caused several fires on board. Under her own steam, with an escort of destroyers, "Illustrious" reached Malta. — Reuter.

SHANGHAI TRAIN DERAILED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") TWO WERE KILLED AND 28 INJURED WHEN A LOCOMOTIVE AND FOUR CARS ON THE SHANGHAI-NANKING RAILWAY WERE DERAILED ON TUESDAY. THE JAPANESE AUTHORITIES IN SHANGHAI REVEALED YESTERDAY.

The accident was caused by loose ground along the track and not by guerillas.

The line will be closed for two days while the debris is cleared. — International News Service.

QUIETER TENDENCY ON STOCK MARKET

The Stock Exchange in London yesterday displayed a tendency to pause. Profit-taking appeared in most sections but the undertone remained generally firm. Gilt-edged securities and home rails mainly retained the recent advance but Industrials were distinctly reactionary apart from the continued firmness of Breweries.

Oils were irregular, Anglo-Iranian easier and Shell's and Trinidad issues firm. Kaffirs fluctuated, but were generally maintained. Japanese bonds tended easier. Wall Street continued very quiet but slightly firmer. — Reuter.

LADY BROOKE IN SINGAPORE

Lady Brooke, Rancee of Sarawak, arrived in Singapore yesterday by Clipper. She is on her way to Sarawak after nearly two years' absence during which time she has earned her own living in the United States. — Reuter.

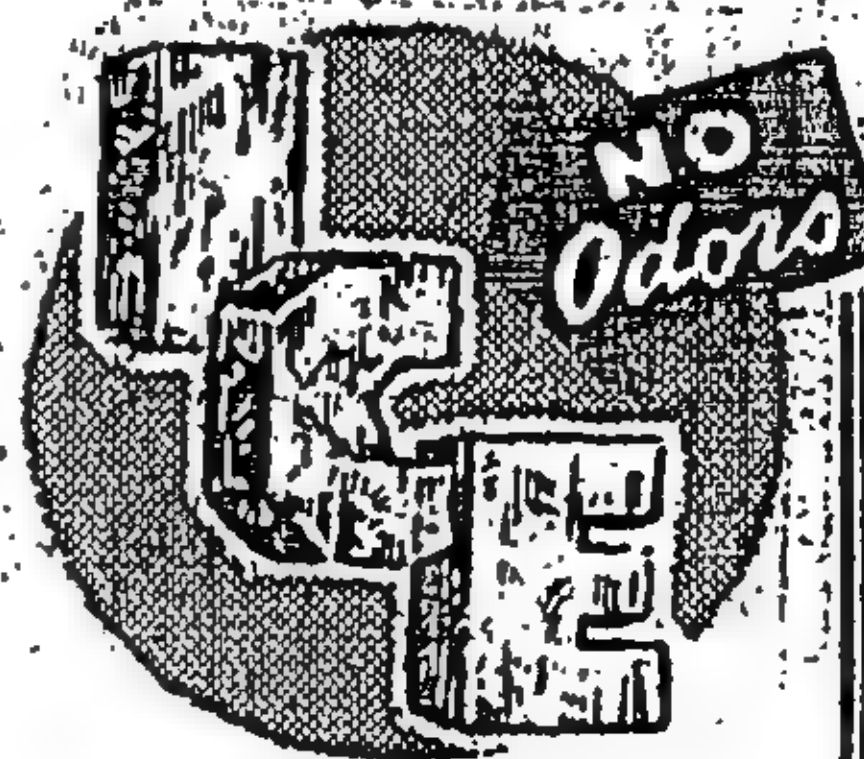
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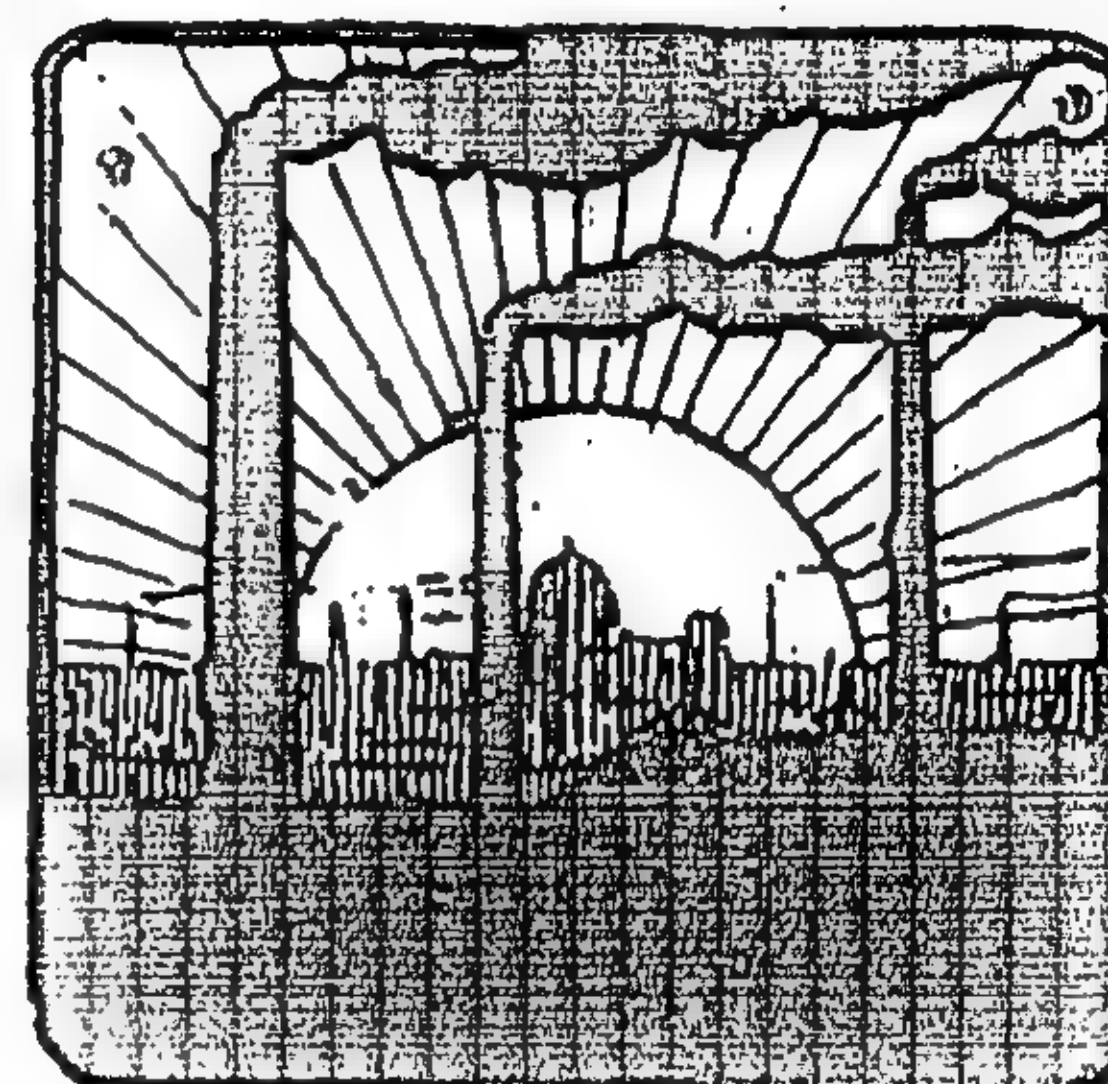
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(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") MR. LIONEL P. STAGG, FORMER SPORTS EDITOR OF THE "SHANGHAI EVENING POST" AND LATELY DEPUTY CLERK IN THE U.S. COURT HAS BEEN APPOINTED TO SUCCEED SAM TITLEBAUM AS U.S. DEPUTY MARSHAL.

Mr. Stagg is a grandson of Alonzo Stagg. The appointment awaits Washington's confirmation.

Meanwhile Titlebaum is still languishing in gaol pending the appointment of a judge by President Roosevelt. — International News Service.

ROSSELET TOUCHES HIS BEST FORM TO SECURE BIGGEST WIN

By "Skip"

TAIKOO CLUB CAUSED ONE OF THE BIG UPSETS OF THE SEASON WHEN THEY HAD AN ALL-CLEAR VICTORY OVER KOWLOON TONG IN SECOND DIVISION OF THE LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE LAST SATURDAY. THIS RESULT GAVE KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB THE CHANCE, WHICH THEY GRABBED WITH FOUR FINGERS, TO CONSOLIDATE THEIR POSITION AT THE HEAD OF AFFAIRS, WHERE THEY NOW HAVE A FIVE-POINT LEAD.

In First Division the three leading teams won and Craigenower's clear win over Kowloon Bowling Green Club "B" makes them still surer—if that were necessary—of the championship, in which Club de Recreio must inevitably be the runners-up. Civil Servants unexpectedly beat Kowloon Dock at Hung Hom to leave Kowloon Bowling Green Club "B" firmly ensconced at the bottom of the League, whilst Indians were at last beaten at Sookunpoo, where they prove so deadly.

In Third Division Police continued to challenge strongly, but the promotion question here will not be settled until the postponed games, of which they have a surfeit, are played off after the end of the official programme. Like their premier team, they had a five-point victory, whilst the Electricians had a useful win over Kowloon Football Club, the youthful "Dan" Gardner inflicting a heavy defeat on "Bob" Ogden, present leader in the skip's table.

CHARLIE Rosselet's rink had the biggest win of the day, when they beat Joe Meyer's four by nearly a couple of dozen shots. Only John Gill of the home four showed good form, especially so in the latter part of the game, and his play enabled the home-sters to hold their own over the last 10 heads.

"Donja" Razack was outbowling Herbie Bicknell, who was right off, whilst "Wardie," though he fell off, could do nothing wrong when the visitors were running into their lead of 25-2. Joe Landolt was better than Gill up to this stage, whilst Charlie Rosselet played an inspired game.

A singleton followed by a count of 6, in which Landolt sprung the jack to his own woods, gave Rosselet's rink a flying start and they shortly followed up with a couple of fives and a two, then two 3s. Meyer was poor most of the time.

It was this big margin which must have eased the minds of the other two visiting skips, who were by no means having things their own way for half the game. Omar being down quite a bit at that stage and Bradbury only just up.

Len Sykes' four held Omar's very well all through, only the brilliance and added experience of the visitor saving the game—all square at the eighteenth the visiting rink chalked up one on each of the remaining ends.

"Bud" Rogers played a really good game for Sykes, and it is no exaggeration to say that he beat E. S. Franks, deputising for "K. M.", who went three in the absence of Dick Bassa, and was quite useful, but "K. M." was hardly aggressive enough against Percy Peckham. Sykes drew as well as U. M. Omar for the most part.

Securing a nap hand when in the lead by only a singleton, Bradbury never looked back against Lockhart and eventually won by 11 shots. His lead, Joe Leonard, was good, he and Souza having the better of their opponents mostly.

Bower Does Well In "A" Team Debut

IN the other game at Austin Road, the home team won quite comfortably, although Tommy Madar did very well to beat Bob Duncan to save a point. Major Parsons was good as two to Madar, who was probably the best man on view. Jack McKelvie drew some nice shots but, like Duncan, he was not consistent. R. P. Phillips played well to hold Bertie Guest as lead.

All Hall had the better of Norman Bebbington's rink, although it was not the latter's fault that he lost, for he was once again in good form. Hall had a new three in "Busty" Bower, who did very well on his first appearance in this team, but it was Harry

SHANGHAI BOWLS

Justina Reds are at the top of the Shanghai Lawn Bowls League and have virtually won the championship for the season, having obtained 22 points out of a possible 25. Their nearest rivals are Shanghai Recreation Club, who scored 14½ points out of a possible 25. In Second Division Shanghai Lawn Bowls Club lead with 23 points out of 25, with Hongkew Golf Club a close second (20 points out of 25).



B. W. Bradbury, No. 3 to U. M. Omar, about to send down a wood in last Sunday's game, when Omar's rink (A. M. and K. M. Omar were the other two members) beat R. Bassa, A. E. Coates, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Rosselet 22-13 in the Colony Lawn Bowls Rink Championship. Rosselet's four, the holders, found they were playing against U. M. Omar at his best and could not cope with him. In the above picture, from left to right, are Bradbury, Landolt (towel in hand), Coates, (with hat) K. M. Omar, A. M. Omar (with glasses) and R. Bassa.

BAD START CAUSE OF K. TONG COLLAPSE

By "Skip"

Kowloon Tong surprised all the critics by their collapse, for such it was, at Taikoo, only Jimmy Kew making anything of a fight of it. The home team literally jumped into a lead, for they were a dozen to the good after 5 heads, and the suburbanites did not seem able to rally at all.

Jim Watson, opposed to Spud Spary, had the biggest win and, I hear, the whole rink played consistently to achieve this result. Stephens scored singles at the last five ends against the all-Scottish rink skipped by Willie Melrose, who won by half a dozen, but Jimmy Chalmers needed a brace to tie at the 20th before he ran out with a four on the last head.

McKay and Scott put in some useful woods for the visiting skip.

Curious Incident At Sookunpoo

CLUB de Recreio "A" achieved what no other club had hitherto done—they beat the Indians at Sookunpoo, despite the fact that their line-up was considerably altered. But the home team were considerably weakened by the presence of at least two, if not more reserves.

M. R. Abbas, for the first time this season, did not draw what I heard called the crazy rink—nothing disparaging to the Club is meant.

Minu had it this time and he mastered it well, though he had not nearly enough support from his front men.

There was a peculiar incident on the last head but one. The jack had been sprung towards the road side tape and Minu had to draw to it. He did so but his wood went into the SIDE ditch. His third man then told him, with his next wood, to take his green from the other side of the jack—a sort of minus quantity of green!

Chico Ribeiro never had much to worry about against Abbas and, leading all the way, he eventually got home by well over a dozen, but Dick Alves, in spite of good play by Jackie Noronha, lost his 400 per cent. record. Khan was the strong man on Dallah's side, though he was slow to start.

NO SWEEP THIS WEEK

There is no draw this week in the Lawn Bowls sweep. It will be made next week.

Nimmo put two perfect woods down on this head, no one else altering the lay until Hillon landed a couple of counting-stoppers, one on each hand. Kew tried hard to squeeze inside but missed twice very narrowly.

10 Shots At Last Couple Of Heads

PRISON Officers may think themselves unlucky to lose all five points to Hong Kong Football Club as a result of being only eight shots down, but it is only fair to the home team to mention that the visitors gained 10 in the last couple of heads.

Kenneth Robertson always had a lead on Bill Bagley, though he got in by only 3 shots. His lead, R. P. Shaw, has not yet found his erstwhile form, but he put in some useful ones, as did his stable companion C. B. Robertson.

McCutcheon took a lead of 8-3 against Willie Macfarlane, but the latter's men then rallied round well to turn the tables, 10 shots in 5 heads doing the trick though McCutcheon chalked up a 4 and then a 3 on the last couple of ends.

Walter Gill's score card against Gowland tells almost the same story—3-11 down then 23-12 with a 7 shot rally to Gowland at the finish.

Brown And Davies In Great Form

KOWLOON Football Club beat Hong Kong Cricket Club by a wide margin, yet Bill Field lost his unbeaten record by a single shot to A. W. Brown, who played an excellent game throughout and was, together with Dai Davies, mainly responsible for the point. The latter held Ben Evans, opposing lead, quite comfortably but any advantage he gained was negated by Arthur Dand, Field's second man.

Percy Younghusband was again in good form against Frank Goodwin and always had the lead. Tony Lapsley had the better of George Altkenhead, though the latter played well enough, but Tom Rowell made up some of the leeway for Goodwin, who was the best of his four.

Ernie Kern's four were all over George Costello's rink right from the start—the chief credit for which must be given to Walter Naeff, who came right back on to his game of last year. Actually, Costello did catch up at one time, but he never scored afterwards, being stuck on Number 11 for no less than 10 ends. Very disheartening.

Successive Fives

CRAIGENOWER secured five points from Club de Recreio and were never in any difficulties, highlight being two fives in succession to Tommy Lock against "Spotty" Pereira, who in spite of these lost but narrowly.

W. S. Glendinning, former Police bowler and now in retirement in Australia, is playing bowls regularly at Burwood Club, Sydney, which has 15 rinks.

WALLIS SAVES K.B.G.C.

By "Skip"

Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Third Division, leaders, were hard put to it to beat Hong Kong Cricket Club at Chater Road, only Wallis winning to carry the day.

His rink had a merry time at the expense of Edgar Abraham, who could not get going at all. Tug Wilson was in fine form for Wallis, as was Johnny Dinnen, his second man, but Ted Thompson was shaky, which left his skip plenty to do. He did it. Alec McKellar and Len Jordan were evenly matched all the way, but the home skip just scraped home on the last two ends, when he chalked up 3 shots.

"Sammy" Shields was leading well for Cassidy, and was able to better J. A. Fraser, who is very sound. The home skip was useful, as was Hughie Nish, of whose third man I have directly opposite reports. In any case it was not Ted Searle, his regular third, in spite of what the signed card says—it was Joe Henson. Oh, these two and their idea of keeping cards!

Gaddi Fails To Impress As Skip

THERE must have been great joy in the Police Club on Saturday when the news of their double win was received. Joe Carey, who is forming a collection of sixes, absolutely swamped Dr. Karanjia, who had poor support from his right hand man, I believe. He was up against a good man in Channing Gaddi.

Gaddi, who finds it difficult on account of his duties to play away from the Valley, tried his hand at skipping in this division, but he was up against too wily an exponent in Atken to impress—he lacks experience of a skip's play.

Alec Soutar and Macdonald were the best of their side against Herbert Randall, who was not up to his best though he got a good "do or die" drive at the last end to secure a "three". George Ladd was his best man.

Yvanovich Has Belated Win

PIETO Yvanovich must have had a "rest at Fanling" as, after a third time, he came back to winning form, and re-established himself almost to "D" class! He was up against U. A. Kurnjahn, whose play rather impressed me when I saw him, but he had some promising front men in E. Cunha and Gus Gutierrez. Mike Mendonca also won. "S. M." being his victim, but A. O. Madar got the better of M. F. Pindra after leading comfortably all the game.

Gardner's Rink

Should Be Kept Intact

ADMITTEDLY, Kowloon Football Club's team is not very strong, but I was surprised to see them go down so badly to the Electricians—but not as amazed as I was at Gardner's huge win over Ogden. I cannot think what came over the latter, unless it was the hazard of having A. N. Other playing for him. I hope the latter is a member of an affiliated club any how! Dan Gardner is full of confidence and enthusiasm, so it is hoped this happy rink can stay together till the end of the season.

Jim Lunny had a close struggle with Claude Woodcock before just emerging the winner, but Chris Dowman saved a point at the expense of Sloan, whom I wrote so favourably last week.

L. A. Collyer, Civil Service bowler, is back from a leave spent in Australia.



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REARRANGED FIXTURES

Unless they are previously played, postponed Lawn Bowls League fixtures have been rearranged as follows:

September 13

First Division: Police v. Craigenower; K.B.G.C. "A" v. C.S.C.C.; K.B.G.C. "B" v. Indian R.C.; K. Docks v. Recreio "B".

Second Division: Prison O.C. v. Hong Kong C.C.; Taikoo v. Kowloon C.C.; Craigenower v. Kowloon F.C.

Third Division: Hong Kong C.C. v. Police; Kowloon F.C. v. Electric; Indian R.C. v. Recreio.

September 20

First Division: Indian R.C. v. K. Docks; Craigenower v. K.B.G.C. "B"; Police v. Recreio "B"; Recreio "A" v. C.S.C.C.

Second Division: Recreio v. Craigenower; Hong Kong C.C. v. Kowloon F.C.; K. Tong v. Taikoo.

Third Division: Craigenower v. Police; Hong Kong C.C. v. Kowloon F.C.; Electric v. Indian R.C.

September 27

First Division: Recreio "A" v. Indian R.C.; C.S.C.C. v. Kowloon Docks; K.B.G.C. "B" v. Kowloon C.C.; K.B.G.C. "A" v. Police.

October 4

First Division: Indian R.C. v. Craigenower; Kowloon C.C. v. Recreio "B".

Second Division: Prison O.C. v. Recreio; K. Tong v. Hong Kong C.C.; Craigenower v. Taikoo.

Third Division: Kowloon F.C. v. Police.

October 11

Second Division: Taikoo v. Recreio.

By mutual arrangement, any of the above fixtures may be played off before the dates fixed—on Sundays or holidays.

Other Bowls On

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BASA RETURNS TO CRAIGENGOWER TEAM FOR TO-MORROW'S GAME

WITH THE RETURN OF BASA TO THE TEAM, CRAIGENGOWER CRICKET CLUB ARE MAKING TWO CHANGES IN THEIR FIRST DIVISION LAWN BOWLS TEAM THIS WEEK-END.

Bradbury's rink, and also that of Rosselet, will be the same as last week, but in Omar's four Basa returns to his usual position of No. 3, so that K. M. Omar, who filled the breach last week, will go back to his normal No. 2 position. Franks, who played in that berth last week, returns to the Third Division team.

In the Second Division, Gaddi will take over Coelho's place as one of the skips, with Xavier, Roza and Lammert as his front men. Last week Coelho had the same men in the first two positions, but Baptista was No. 3. Baptista will be No. 2 to Way, whose rink is otherwise unchanged. Modi, who played in this position last week, returns to the Third Division. In Look's four Ladd will take over Zimmerman's place at No. 3.

Franks will skip the rink in Third Division that was led by Randall last week. The latter goes up to No. 3, to fill the place that was then taken by the promoted Ladd. Karanjia will have Broadbridge and Alves as Nos. 1 and 2 respectively instead of Delgado and Pau, while the third rink will comprise Todd, Lee, Modi and Medina as against J. K. Pavri, Alves, Lammert and Gaddi last week.

K. Tong Unchanged

KOWLOON Tong are making no changes in their team for to-morrow's Second Division League bowls match against Kowloon Football Club, all of last week's players being on view again.

CIVIL Service Cricket Club are making a few changes against Club de Recreio "A". Rakusen's four is left intact, but the other two rinks are as follows, as compared with those of last week, given in brackets: Gellatly, Deakin, Simmonds, McGowan (Gellatly, Deakin, McGowan and Burling); and Crawley, Colledge, Purvis and Hillyer (Harper, Colledge, Hillyer and Simmonds).

TAIKOO are not making any changes in their team this week, all those who took part in their clean sweep win over Kowloon Tong last Saturday being available again to-morrow.

PRISON Officers Club are making quite a few changes for their match to-morrow against Tarkoo Dock. In

Gowland's rink all the front men have been changed except Hudson, who goes from No. 2 to No. 3. The first two places will be filled by Shaw and Grindley, who take over from Webber and Hudson. McGrath, who was No. 3 last week, will not be playing to-morrow.

Freeman, who was No. 3 to McCutcheon last week, moves to No. 1, where Shaw played last week, and his own place at No. 3 will be taken by Foster. Bagley's rink will include Robertson at No. 2 in place of Harrop.

Following are the selected teams:

CRAIGENGOWER
First Division (v Indian Recreation Club, home):—J. W. Leonard, L. C. R. Souza, A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury (skip); A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, R. Basa and U. M. Omar (skip); A. A. Razaek, W. Ward, J. S. Landolt and C. E. Rosselet (skip).

Second Division (v Hong Kong Cricket Club, away):—S. R. Solina, W. J. Curd, C. S. Ladd and T. Lock (skip); Li Su-wing, M. A. Baptista, D. A. Rosario and W. K. Way (skip); J. H. Xavier, L. M. Roza, L. E. Lammert and L. Gaddi (skip).

Third Division (v Hong Kong Football Club, home):—W. E. Broadbridge, A. E. S. Alves, Dr. C. W. Lam and Dr. N. P. Karanjia (skip); E. J. Todd, F. Lee, F. K. Modi and M. J. Medina (skip); R. K. Pavri, S. Leonard, H. W. Randall and E. S. Franks (skip).

KOWLOON TONG
Second Division (v Kowloon Football Club, home):—H. A. Castro, A. Madar, J. Smith and A. J. Kew (skip); N. A. Mackay, Y. H. Tang, J. N. Wong and J. L. Stephens (skip); H. Gittins, M. S. Pheon, A. E. Castro and A. Spary (skip). Reserve: J. Tang.

CIVIL SERVICE
First Division (v Club de Recreio "A", home):—J. Gellatly, J. W. Deakin, E. W. C. Simmonds and J. F. McGowan (skip); H. McKay, M. Scott, V. S. Ebbage and M. N. Rakusen (skip); F. D. Crawley, W. H. F. Colledge, M. E. Purvis and W. R. Hillyer (skip).

TAIKOO
Second Division (v Prison Officers, away):—J. Nimmo, F. Thomson, F. H. Foster and J. C. Chalmers (skip); L. A. Gibson, D. Coull, C. Bovaird and J. S. Watson (skip); W. G. McKie, W. Cunningham, R. Main and W. Melrose (skip). Reserves: A. MacArthur, S. J.

MARSHALL'S BID FOR TRIPLE CROWN

News from the Shanghai bowls world is to the effect that Alec Marshall, who is still figuring in the three competitions, singles, pairs and rinks—which have already reached the 4th Round stage—has a very good chance of carrying off the triple crown, a feat which has only been accomplished by R. C. Aitkenhead. In this connection, the "China Press" says:— "Aldip shot that he will duplicate the feat is a good wager and his supporters are equally confident of him coming through. However, the next round will tell the story!"

ROSARIO AND LANDOLT WIN 20-17

Three games in the Fourth Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs Championship were scheduled to be decided yesterday, but only one was played, the other two being postponed.

At Civil Service Cricket Club, D. A. Rosario and J. S. Landolt beat A. E. P. Guest and T. A. Madar by 3 shots.

The winners started off in great style, scoring 1 0 4 1 0 0 2 1 4 before being blanked for three ends to lead 13-8 at the 12th. They increased this to 16-8 at the 14th, but 2 0 4 by Madar took the score to 17-14 at the 17th. Landolt scoring 1 2 before conceding like number to finish up 20-17.

Landolt 1 0 4 1 0 0 2 1 4 0 0 0 2 1 0 1 0
1 2 0 0—20
Madar 0 2 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 1 2 1 0 0 2 0 4
0 0 1 2—17

Pollock.

PRISON O.C.
Second Division (v Tarkoo, home):—V. H. Freeman, W. J. McCutcheon, G. B. Foster and J. McCutcheon (skip); G. I. Shaw, R. J. Grindley, J. W. Hudson and C. Gowland (skip); A. W. Hircock, R. C. Robertson, J. W. Fitzgerald and W. J. Bagley (skip).

C.B.A. LOSE 9-0 BUT IT WAS TENNIS OF A REFRESHING NATURE

By "Incog."

DURING THE PAST TEN DAYS OR SO, I HAVE WATCHED TWO "NEEDLE" LEAGUE TENNIS MATCHES, AND THOUGH BOTH OF THESE EVENTUALLY TURNED OUT TO BE ONE-SIDED AFFAIRS, THE ATMOSPHERE WAS, NEVER THE LESS, QUITE TENSE THROUGHOUT THE NINE SETS PLAYED.

Yesterday, by way of a change, I made the trip to the very pleasant Chinese Recreation Club ground, and as a reward I was treated to some very refreshing, if not first class, tennis. The Chinese were entertaining Central British Association in a Fourth Division League match and won by 9 sets to 0.

The game, however, was extremely enjoyable, and more closely contested, incidentally, than the scores would indicate. It was a pleasant surprise to find Syd. Fowler, who had only the day before returned from a spell of leave in Australia, playing League tennis so soon. And if he has not as yet found his land legs, there was nothing to show for it in his tennis.

Tak-lam, who has just shaken off the effects of a long bout of ill-health, paired up with K. M. Wong, and played accurate tennis in which he was well-supported by his partner, but outstanding for the winners was T. F. Choi.

"Bicky" Bickford and Norman Whitley might have won a set for their side if they had not sacrificed accuracy for hard-hitting which, unfortunately, all too often found the ball landing in the far beyond.

Smith was steady throughout, but his steadiness was somewhat discounted by the inclination of his partner, Tomashevsky, to have a bang at every-

thing. In fairness, however, I must say that Tomashevsky did bring off a few very good shots, one vicious cross-court drive in the last set being particularly noteworthy.

Scores were:—
K. M. Wong and T. Tak-lam (C.R.C.) beat D. Smith and D. Tomashevsky 6-2
beat S. Fowler and N. Smith 6-3
beat B. Bickford and N. Whitley 6-4
T. F. Choi and C. N. Tsang (C.R.C.) beat Smith and Tomashevsky 6-3
beat Fowler and Smith 6-3
beat Bickford and Whitley 6-3
Chan Yih and Y. W. Chung (C.R.C.) beat Smith and Tomashevsky 6-4
beat Fowler and Smith 6-1
beat Bickford and Whitley 6-1

A Close Finish

At Caroline Hill, Post Office Recreation Club (2) beat Jewish Recreation Club by 5½ sets to 3½.

J. Howlett and W. G. Morrison (P.O.R.C.)
beat S. R. Ramler and B. Godkin 6-3
beat A. Pollak and M. Talan 6-3
beat E. Whitgob and A. Odell 6-2
A. G. MacPherson and Y. S. Fung (P.O.R.C.)
beat Ramler and Godkin 6-4
drew with Pollak and Talan 6-6
beat Whitgob and Odell 6-3
S. K. Chin and C. C. Lam (P.O.R.C.)
lost to Ramler and Godkin 0-6
lost to Pollak and Talan 0-6
lost to Whitgob and Odell 5-7

Table To Date

	Sets	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
S.C.A.A.	10	10	0	0	74	16	20	
C.C.C.	10	9	1	0	72½	17½	18	
C.R.C.	10	8	2	0	63½	26½	14	
F.C.	10	7	3	0	58	29	14	
A.T.C.	9	4	4	1	45	36	9	
I.R.C.	9	4	4	1	33½	47½	9	
P.O.R.C. (1)	10	4	6	0	40	50	8	
C.B.A.	8	2	6	0	23½	45½	4	
P.O.R.C. (2)	9	2	7	0	19½	61½	4	
J.R.C.	10	1	9	0	29½	60½	2	
K.I.T.C.	9	0	9	0	7½	73½	0	

Promoter Mike Jacobs has revealed that Joe Louis will join the United States Army if he loses his world's heavyweight title to Lou Nova in their return bout on September 19.

Ranger, Harold S. Vanderbilt's famous yacht, which successfully defended the America's Cup against T. O. M. Sopwith's Endeavour, is now going to help in the defence of America herself. Mr. Vanderbilt has arranged to have the yacht broken up and sold for "scrap."

Tod Morgan, who lost the Australian lightweight boxing championship to Vic Patrick recently, vainly searched Sydney for leeches after his fight. He needed them for his damaged eyes. The veteran of so many contests knew the value of a leech in restoring a damaged eye to normal. He has used them on innumerable occasions, but, try as he did, he could not discover one. The scarcity was due to the dry weather, he was informed.

The most amazing golf exploit known, the playing of a hole 39 miles long, is recalled by the death at Maidstone of Mr. T. H. Oyler, a one-time famous sportsman, at the age of 81. Accepting the wager that he would complete the hole from Linton Park, near Maidstone, to Littlestone Links, near New Romney, under 2,000 strokes, Mr. Oyler won with 913 strokes to spare.

FOWLER ON AUSTRALIAN HOCKEY

Sydney Fowler, brilliant Club hockey winger, who is just back from a leave in Australia, says that the average hockey team down there is up to our best, while there are several district teams which would be far superior to Hong Kong's best.

While in Sydney, Fowler met Geoffrey Lammert—he is now married and has one child—who introduced him to the Y.M.C.A. hockey officials. He was given a trial and was soon playing regularly on the wing in the first of their five League elevens, with Geoff in the same team, at full-back. Incidentally, Lammert, who is a lieutenant in the militia, has passed his medical test for the R.A.F.

Fowler scored seven of Y's 12 goals in the first four matches, netting in every game.

It was while watching inter-district hockey at the Metropolitan Carnival—Newcastle were the winners—that he contracted bronchial pneumonia, from the effects of which he has only recently recovered.

He did not see any ladies' hockey, but he understands the Australian standard is below that of Hong Kong.



The flag presentation ceremony before the Final Test at Brisbane. Right to left: Mr. Brown and the Premier of Queensland, Mr. L. L. L. (assistant secretary) and Chen Foh-yu (manager-secretary) are the others in the picture.



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That is the opinion of no less an authority on local swimming than Lionel Roza-Pereira, former Colony champion swimmer, winner on more than one occasion of the Harbour Race, Colony Interport swimmer and present Colony diving champion, and he expressed it while talking about the Inter-Schools Swimming Gala to be held at Victoria Recreation Club to-morrow, commencing at 5.07 p.m.

Some very keen racing should be seen, especially in the Girls' 50 Yards free-style, in which the French Convent and V.R.C. star, Miss "Jackie" Anderson, will probably be fully extended by Miss Ko Miu-ling, of Bellios Girls' School.

St. Stephens & La Salle

Insofar as the boys' events are concerned, they will probably resolve into a struggle for supremacy between St. Stephens' and La Salle, and there should not be any very appreciable difference in the final standings of these two schools.

As an indication of the thoroughness with which Lionel Roza-Pereira and his hard-working committee have gone about their job, there will be a demonstration of swimming by A. K. Rumjahn (back-stroke), Luiz M. Remedios (breast-stroke) and D. Hutchinson (free-style), and in order that the boys and girls may reap the most benefit out of watching these champions in action, there will be a running commentary throughout the demonstration.

There will also be a diving exhibition, by Lionel Roza-Pereira and Ed. da Roza, a former Colony champion, and from all indications a very enjoyable and entertaining afternoon is promised.

Programme And Competitors

The programme and full list of competitors are as follows:

BOYS' JUNIOR—Diving. 3 Running Forward Headers from 1-Metre Board: K. Thomas (St. Stephen's College); C. Guterres (La Salle College); Chan Yen Fwee (St. Stephen's College); Chow Kong Pui (Chung Wah School).

BOYS' SENIOR—100 Yards free-style: J. Gomes (La Salle), Andrew Fung (St. Joseph's), G. Rosset (Diocesan), William Teo (St. Stephen's), Donald Young (St. Joseph's).

BOYS' JUNIOR—100 Yards free-style: K. Thomas (St. Stephen's), R. Souza (La Salle), Chan Yen Fwee (St. Stephen's), Wong Pen Kin (St. Stephen's), C. Guterres (La Salle).

GIRLS—50 Yards free-style: Miss Ko Miu Ling (Ying Wah Girls' School), Miss J. el Arculli (French Convent School), Miss J. Anderson (French Convent School), Miss C. Guterres (St. Mary's School), Miss Y. Yollo (French Convent School).

BOYS' SENIOR—100 Yards breast-stroke: Lee Cheuk Lam (Nam Wah), Kong Yiu Wing (La Salle), Chan Chen Fo (St. Joseph's), G. Wong (La Salle), Kwong Chiu Sheung (La Salle).

BOYS' JUNIOR—50 Yards breast-stroke: R. Souza (La Salle), Ko Wai Hoon (St. Joseph's), Chow Kong Pui (Chung Wah), W. Ribeiro (La Salle).

GIRLS—50 Yards breast-stroke: Miss Tsang Fung Kwan (Bellios Public School), Miss C. Monteiro (St. Mary's School), Miss Y. Yollo (French Convent School).

BOYS' SENIOR—100 Yards back-stroke: Ip Ting Yue (St. Stephen's), A. V. Lopes (La Salle), Ebone Siong Loy (St. Stephen's), J. Gomes (La Salle), Andrew Fung (St. Joseph's).

BOYS' JUNIOR—50 Yards back-stroke: C. Guterres (La Salle), Chow Kong Pui (Chung Wah).



Members of the Eastern-Sing Tao soccer team, which returned to the Colony on Wednesday after a very successful Australian tour. Standing (left to right) are Hau Yung-sang, Leung Wing-chiu, C. T. Tsao, Ng Kee-cheong, Cheong Wing-choy, Y. S. Yen, Kui Wing-fook, Soong Ling-sing, and Chang Kam-hoi; Middle row: Lee Ting-sang, V. K. Hyul, Chen Foh-yu (manager-secretary), Peter Wop (Australian representative), Woo Lal-tin (Assistant secretary), T. A. Langridge (trainer), Chui Ah-fai, Fung King-cheong; Sitting: Tam Kwong-sang, Yeung Shui-yick, Lai Shui-wing, Sui Dim-ling, Kwok Ying-kee, Hau Ching-to and Ip Pak-wah.

LEE WAI-TONG ON EASTERN SOCCER TEAM

By "Referee"

I SHOULD SAY THAT THERE WAS NOT MUCH DIFFERENCE IN STRENGTH BETWEEN THE SOUTH CHINA TEAM WHICH TOURED AUSTRALIA IN 1923 AND THE EASTERN-SING TAO TEAM JUST RETURNED, SAID LEE WAI-TONG, CAPTAIN OF THE 1923 SIDE, YESTERDAY.

The 1941 team comprised better and faster individual players, but the South China team were a better combination and better balanced, the main reason being that South China had been playing for several seasons as a team—there was only one Chinese team in the League then—and had represented China in the Far Eastern Olympics.

Of the 1923 team only Lee Wai-tong is still active in the game, while he was a member of the Loh Hwa team which visited Australia in 1927.

Fung King-cheong and Lee Ting-sang were also members of the 1927 team.

South China had no financial worries on the 1923 tour. The Football Authorities in Australia guaranteed all expenses and all profit or loss was for their account.

Lee Wai-tong said he was delighted with the favourable impression Eastern had made in Australia, though he naturally regretted that they lost the Test series. Their record is a good one, he said, for South China won only eight matches of the 24 played, drawing seven and losing nine.

MANAGER REVIEWS 5 TESTS

Reviewing the Five Test matches played against Australia, Mr. Chen Foh-yu, secretary-manager of Eastern's team had the following observations to make:

FIRST TEST: at Melbourne, July 28: We won by 6 goals to 4 after being 1-3 down in the first half. In the second half we scored 4 goals in 14 minutes, but we did not get a very big gate, only £263, as the people in this part of Australia are not very keen on soccer.

SECOND TEST: at Sydney, July 5: We lost by 2 goals to 4. In this match the Australians adopted robust methods and in the first 5 minutes Lai Shui-wing was hurt and then, in the second half, Ng Kee-cheong had to leave the field. We were leading 2-1 in the first half and the score was 2-2 when Ng was carried off. After that, playing with nine men only—substitutes were not allowed in the Tests—we found the job too much for us.

THIRD TEST: at Sydney, July 12: We won this game by 5 goals to 2, but Australia were handicapped when their inside-right, a man named Date, was injured in a tackle and was a passenger for the rest of the game.

FOURTH TEST: at Newcastle, July 19: We lost 2-5 although everybody expected us to win. We were actually leading 2-1 up to the interval but the game was slowed up considerably because 13 minutes were wasted through injured players being treated on the ground, and that affected our play. The ground here was not good at all.

FIFTH TEST: at Brisbane, August 2: We lost 8-4, but it must be said that our boys were rather upset at having just heard the news that the intended extension of the tour would not materialise, and also that we were to sail the same evening, at 7 p.m., the game finishing at 5.30 p.m. The boat actually delayed its departure for a few hours to enable us to fulfill this engagement. We were 1-4 down in the first half and at one time were 1-7 in arrears. Then we scored three goals before the home team scored their final one.



"Ultra easy on the eye" was the description given by an Australian paper to this charming Australian-born Chinese lady spectator at the final football Test between the Sing Tao-Eastern touring team and Australia, which the latter won 8-4.

SHANGHAI TENNIS EXHIBITION

A very attractive exhibition tennis programme has been arranged to take place in Shanghai on August 31, in aid of the Central British War Fund. F. Sullivan and L. G. Stokes will meet Tony Liang and Edward Tsai, and H. Collaco and Kho Sin-oi will then play a singles, to be followed by the second doubles between C. C. Squires and M. Benavitch against J. V. T. Wang and Harry Li.

In the Navy pool yesterday, Royal Navy "B" beat 8th Coastal Regiment, R.A., by 9 goals to 1 in the European Y.M.C.A. Invitation water-polo tournament.

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Wherever the Sing Tao-Eastern team played in Australia, the Chinese community turned out on mass to support their compatriots. This picture shows a section of the crowd, evidently very pleased with their countrymen's progress on the field.

SOCCER TOUR OF U.S.?

Mr. Aw Hoo, manager of Sing Tao Football Club, is by no means disappointed or discouraged because the Sing Tao-Eastern tour of Australia ended in a financial loss of approximately £1,600.

On the other hand, he is already planning ahead and said yesterday that, providing world conditions were such as to allow of the undertaking, they would be sending a team to tour the United States of America next season.

And Mr. Aw is not the only one who is looking forward to such a trip, although he says that he fears business claims would not make it possible for him to accompany the team.

The players who have just returned from Australia have enjoyed themselves so much that they feel an American, and, possibly later on, an English tour, would be just the very thing for them. They all agree that not only their football, but also their general outlook on life have benefited by the Australian tour, and trips to the west would not only further improve their play but would also add to their education.

The quadrangular swimming gala held in the European Y.M.C.A. last night between Y.M.C.A., Royal Scots, Middlesex and Royal Corps of Signals and Combined Small Units resulted in a win for the home team, who secured 22½ points to the Royals' 18, while Small Units and Middlesex had 15 and 12½ respectively.

TO-NIGHT'S BASKETBALL

Following are to-night's Open Basketball League fixtures at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A.:
Bank Union v Ping Ching
Yu Leung v Indian Police

The world record for the 4-miles Relay Race held by Indiana University—17 minutes, 16-1/5 seconds, at Philadelphia in 1937—was beaten on August 15 at the Olympic stadium, Stockholm, when the Idrotts-Forerörelse team covered the distance in 17 minutes 2-4/5 seconds.—Reuter.

The longest match in the history of the American national tennis championship was played at Brooklyn, Massachusetts, yesterday, when Bryant Grant, small but tenacious Davis Cup player, and Russell Bobbitt, of Atlanta, beat Edwin Amark and Robin Hippinatt, of California, after four hours. Scores were 14-12, 15-17, 6-4, 4-6, 13-11. Grant twisted his ankle in the second set.—Reuter.

STARTING TIMES AT FANLING

Royal Hong Kong Golf Club's starting times for Fanling (Old Course) on Sunday are as follows:
9.16 a.m. C. M. Park, A. E. Lissaman.
9.20 .. W. Hewitt, I. H. Gear.
10.12 .. H. F. Phillips, R. I. Cherrill.

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"WAKE UP" URGE BY COL. STIMSON

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

Speaking at Denver, Colorado, the U.S. Secretary of War, Col. Henry Stimson, renewed the warning that the U.S. is in "serious danger." He added: "It is hard to get people who do not read the cables from abroad to realise what serious danger we are facing, and we will remain in serious danger as long as the public does not wake up." — International News Service.

Measures Must Be Made To Hurt

THE "MANCHESTER Guardian" in a leader on the rumours of the possibility of trade licensing between Great Britain and Japan, states that "if when the freezing of Japanese assets was announced it was intended to allow a certain amount of trade to pass by way of granting licences, it would only be natural to make arrangements to finance it."

"But that was certainly not what the public understood these sanctions to mean. They were imposed on account of the Japanese invasion of Indo-China, and it is clear that if economic counter-measures are to serve any purpose they must hurt."

Round-Up In Paris

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

A Vichy message states that in a five-hour round-up of the entire working-class area near the site of the Bastille, in Paris, the Ger-

man authorities arrested 6,000 "non-Aryan dissidents," after rumours of widespread unrest among Jews and anti-Nazi elements in various parts of France.

All were taken to internment depots while the German authorities are seeking to find out whether the disorders were spontaneous or an engineered conspiracy. — International News Service.

"Substantial concessions might weaken that purpose without removing the irritation caused by the general principle."

"That such concessions are being considered has so far been suggested mainly from Japanese sources. This is denied in London though not as firmly as could be desired."

"One Government authority last night asserted that arrangements would cover only a few thousand pounds designed mainly for the payment of diplomatic and consular expenses."

Another Department the night before at least suggested clearing accounts were being inaugurated both in London and in other parts of the Empire for the finance of any mutual trade that might officially be approved.

Any Loophole

"Licences, said this statement, would be granted only within the limits of the funds available on the clearing account. There is no doubt that the Japanese may well desire to make the greatest possible use of any loophole, so that they can replenish stocks."

"IF THEY HAD BEEN GIVEN THE IMPRESSION THAT THE PRESENT ARRANGEMENTS MIGHT BE SHAPED INTO THE THIN END OF THE WEDGE, THEY SHOULD BE QUICKLY DISILLUSIONED."

High Strategy

"Any suggestion that trade licences might be granted on financial grounds or even on the grounds that certain materials are of no use to our war effort and can, therefore, be spared would deprive the sanction of all meaning."

"A grave step has been taken for reasons of high strategy. The risks are well-known and had been weighed in advance."

ANY WEAKNESS IN EXECUTION AND ANY SUSPICION THAT FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS MIGHT SERVE WITHOUT FURTHER FORMALITY TO COVER UP A BREACH IN THE EMBARGO WOULD NOT ONLY LOWER THE RISK, BUT WOULD ALSO WHOLLY UNDO THE EFFECT OF THE ACTION." — REUTER.

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STOP PRESS

The French liner "Marechal Joffre" arrived in Shanghai from Manila this morning with over 300 Japanese, German and Italian evacuees from the Philippines.

It is reported the majority of the Japanese are going on to Japan but the Axis refugees will remain in Shanghai.

It was revealed that the ship was subjected to a stringent search before leaving Manila. — Reuter.

IN SEMI-EDITORIALS IDENTICALLY WORDED IN PARTS, THE TOKYO NEWSPAPERS "HOCHI," "KOKUMIN" AND "MIYAKO" THIS MORNING DEAL WITH THE DESPATCH OF UNITED STATES OIL TO VLADIVOSTOK.

THOUGH ADMITTING THE UNITED STATES' PRIMARY PURPOSE IS TO AID THE SOVIET THEY ARE AGREED IN DECLARING IT IS THE FIRST STEP FROM THE NORTH TOWARDS COMPLETION OF THE RING AROUND JAPAN.

THE "MIYAKO" SUGGESTS ALL THE FACTS POINT TO THIS BEING A TEST CASE TO GET JAPANESE REACTION.

THE "HOCHI" URGES THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT TO COME OUT STRONGLY IN AN EXPRESSION OF ITS VIEWS IN THIS CONNECTION.—REUTER.

SPRATLY ISLANDS ISSUE

That the United States would view with concern and refuse to recognise any formal Japanese annexation of additional Pacific islands was indicated by Mr. Cordell Hull at his press conference yesterday.

It was pointed out that the Spratly group in the South China Seas are now shown as Japanese possessions in new Tokyo maps which indicate an extension of the original Japanese annexation.

Seven islands of this group over which Japan assumed 'jurisdiction' in 1939 had been occupied by France in 1933, but the Japanese contended that they were without an owner.

The annexation at that time caused considerable misgivings. — Reuter.

Seeking Facts

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

Reiterating that the United States opposed the forceful conquest of Pacific territory, Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, said yesterday that the U.S. Government were seeking all facts connected with the Japanese expansion and control of a group of islands within 70 miles of the Philippines. — International News Service.

The funeral of Captain Charles Christie Arthur Hobbs, Air Raids Precautions Architect, F.W.D., who was found shot dead at his home, No. 2, Thorpe Manor, yesterday afternoon takes place today, the cortege passing the Monument at 5.30 p.m.

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